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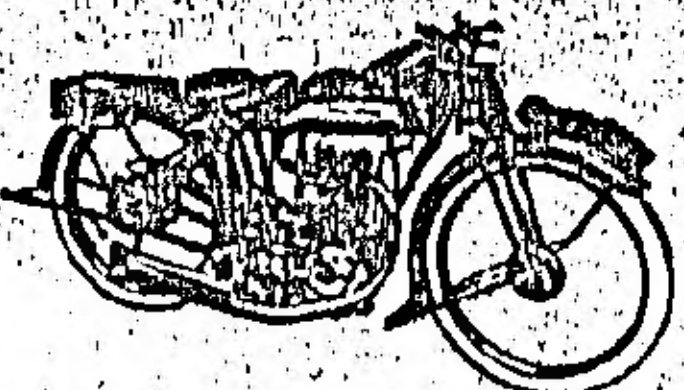
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URTELEPHONES.

DETAILS OF NEW SCHEME.

BETTER SERVICE.

The Legislative Council is on Thursday to be asked to approve a scheme for the acquisition of the Colony's telephone service by a new local company, the capital of which is to be five million dollars. This new concern is to secure a monopoly for fifty years from July 1st next, and, according to the terms of the agreement, to pay to the Government and Japan Telephone Company \$1,550,000 for plant, \$491,335 for land and buildings, besides cost of additions from January 1st to June 30th, 1925, and value of shares in hand. On this basis, 1,400,000 is to be paid to the telephone Company in shares and the balance in cash.

Subscribers' rates are set forth in the agreement, and it is provided that if these are insufficient to pay shareholders eight per cent, they may be raised. The Government is to receive a "royalty" of \$4 in respect of each direct exchange line telephone, and provisions are made for reduction of subscribers' rates in the event of the profits exceeding certain percentages.

The full text of the resolution, which is to be moved by the Hon. Colonial Secretary at Thursday's Legislative Council meeting, is as follows:—

"Whereas the Government has had under consideration proposals for the formation of a local Company to acquire the undertaking of the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Company Limited and to provide an improved telephone service; and Whereas the Government has approved the following conditions, subject to which and to the terms of an Ordinance such Company shall be permitted to operate:—

"1. Such Company shall be styled the Hongkong Telephone Company, Limited, and it shall be registered under the Companies Ordinance, 1911.

"2. The Directors of such Company (hereinafter referred to as the Company), shall be not less than four and not more than eight in number, and all the Directors shall be bona fide residents in Hongkong.

"3. The Oriental Telephone and Electric Company, Limited, during such period as it holds not less than 100,000 fully-paid shares in the Company, shall be at liberty to nominate two Directors, provided always that such Directors shall be bona fide residents in Hongkong and that the total number of Directors shall not exceed eight.

"4. The capital of the Company shall be \$5,000,000, divided into 500,000 shares of \$10 each.

"5. The capital of the Company shall not be increased, except by permission of the Legislative Council.

"6. The consideration in respect of the acquisition by the Company of the undertaking of the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Company, Limited, shall be:—(a) \$1,155,000 for the plant; (b) the landed cost of additions made to the plant and property between the 1st January and the 30th June, 1925; (c) \$491,335 for land and buildings; (d) the value of stores in hand or contracted for on the 30th June, 1925; which consideration shall be met, as to \$1,400,000 in the allotment of 140,000 fully-paid shares, and as to the balance in cash.

"7. The Company shall have the sole right to supply a public telephone service during a period of fifty years from the 1st July, 1925.

"8. The Company shall, within such period as the Governor in Council may determine to be reasonable, provide an improved telephone service to be approved by the Governor in Council.

"9. The Company shall be authorised to charge the following annual rates to subscribers, with effect from the 1st July, 1925:—(a) \$108 within (i) Victoria and Kowloon, as defined by

RECENT ROBBERY.

CONVICTION ON NEW TRIAL.

After a lengthy hearing of the case against the three men, Chan To-ka, Yeung Sap-yat and Chan Ki, who were charged yesterday with robbery at Kowloon City, where they were alleged to have entered the Lee Yuen house, and after terrorising the inmates, stole various articles, the jury found the first prisoner guilty, the second prisoner not guilty, and the third guilty by four to three. His Lordship (Mr. Justice Wood) sentenced the first prisoner to seven years with hard labour, and ordered a retrial of the third prisoner.

A new jury was empanelled this morning for the re-hearing of the case against the third prisoner.

The defence put up was to the effect that prisoner was intending to go into the house to discuss the sale of some stoves for which he had been negotiating for some time, and he found the robbery in progress when he arrived. He ran away when the police arrived and was shot down.

The jury unanimously found prisoner guilty and a sentence of five years with hard labour was passed, his Lordship mentioning that he had taken in consideration the fact that prisoner was wounded.

The Interpretation Ordinance, 1911, and (ii) within the Peak District, as defined by the Peak District Reservation Ordinance, 1904, but substituting "700 feet" for "788 feet"; (b) \$108 within a radius of one mile from any exchange that may hereafter be opened outside the areas referred to in (a); (c) An additional charge of \$50 per mile or part of a mile measured outwards from the nearest point of the boundary of the areas referred to in (a) and (b); (d) For extension telephones, bells, switches, switchboards, power-circuits, removals, and other services of like nature, such charges as the Governor in Council may approve.

"10. Should the charges above referred to be insufficient to pay to the shareholders of the Company a minimum dividend of Eight per cent. per annum on the paid-up capital of the Company for the time being after making provision for maintenance, and efficient service, depreciation, reserve or sinking fund, and managing expenses, the above rates shall be raised so as to enable the shareholders to receive a minimum of Eight per cent. per annum after making the aforesaid deductions.

"11. The net profits of the Company after providing as aforesaid shall be used firstly in payment to the Government of a royalty of Four Dollars in respect of each direct exchange line telephone which has been used and paid for during the whole previous Twelve months by a bona fide telephone subscriber or One Dollar per direct exchange line telephone for each period of Three months or less.

"12. The said net profits shall secondly be applied in payment to the shareholders of the Hongkong Company of the minimum dividend of Eight per cent. per annum rising to Twelve per cent. per annum.

"13. In the event of the net profits exceeding Twelve per cent. per annum then as to the difference between Twelve per cent. and Eighteen per cent. half thereof shall be distributed in further dividends and the remaining half by way of reduction of the subscription rates; the dividend payable to shareholders being limited to a maximum rate of fifteen per cent.

"14. Any additional surplus shall be used solely for the reduction of subscription rates.

"15. The rights and obligations of the Government and of the Company shall be set out in detail and embodied in a bill which shall be introduced as soon as may be in the Legislative Council."

HONGKONG WIN.

GREAT STRUGGLE IN INTERPORT.

7 RUNS DECIDE.

A brief telegram received at the Hongkong Cricket Club at this time conveyed the glad news that Hongkong had beaten Shanghai in the interport cricket match by seven runs. At the close of play yesterday, Shanghai, with 89 for nine wickets, required seventeen runs to win, the men left in being Rogerson not out 15 and T. W. R. Wilson not out 0.

The Shanghai pair played carefully and had carried the total to 88 when Bowker trapped Wilson and dismissed him by the caught and bowled route, after having scored four. Rogerson was not out with 20 to his credit.

Bowker and Reed came out with splendid bowling analyses; Bowker having taken 5 wickets for 47 in the second innings, and 8 wickets for 100 for the match; and Reed having taken 4 for 37 in the second innings and 6 for 91 for the whole game. Walker, who took 3 for 21 in the first innings, took 0 for 11 in the second, the tenth man having been run out.

Hongkong's representatives did wonderfully well to pull the game round after being twenty-two runs behind in a match marked by such low scoring, though without a doubt the fact that the wicket was ideal for the bowlers contributed largely to their success.

This is Hongkong's third successive win over Shanghai.

"FLAPPER WIFE."

A FINE FOX-TROT.

Yesterday afternoon we were given an opportunity of being present at a rehearsal of the new fox-trot, "The Flapper Wife," by the combined orchestras of the Hongkong Hotel. From the first few bars it was evident that the composition is one that contains plenty of pep, while the chorus produces one of the most haunting melodies we have heard for some time. The arrangement is excellent and gives scope for the air being effectively taken respectively by saxophones, cornets and banjos.

After hearing it so well rendered, it is easy to understand why "The Flapper Wife" has achieved such outstanding popularity in the United States, and it is a safe prediction to make that in a week or two Hongkong will also have fallen under its spell. It will be heard in public for the first time at the special Dinner Dance on Saturday night next in the Grill Room.

In anticipation of hearing the new fox-trot, bookings of tables for Saturday's carnival dance are very brisk, and those who intend being present are advised to make their reservations without delay.

INDIAN EXCHANGE.

COMMITTEE TO REPORT.

London, May 18. In the House of Commons, replying to Sir Frederick Wise, Earl Winterton pointed out that the Viceroy on January 20th, made a forecast of the appointment within a year, of a committee to examine and report upon the position of Indian exchange currency, if the movement towards more stable economic conditions continued.

Lord Winterton pointed out that the re-establishment of the gold standard had removed one of the difficulties in connexion with the question of rupee exchange. —Reuter.

SECURITY PACT.

GERMAN MINISTER'S STATEMENT.

NO AGGRESSION.

Berlin, May 18. In the Reichstag, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, Herr Stresemann, reviewing the situa-



Herr Stresemann.

tion, anticipated an early settlement of the disarmament question, which should not only result in the immediate evacuation of the Cologne zone but also in the tackling of the problem of general disarmament by the other Powers.

He derided the idea of any danger of a German attack, and declared that Germany was justified in demanding the protection of her frontiers against a powerful neighbour by means of a security pact.

The Minister admitted that nobody in Germany could honestly acknowledge that the Eastern frontiers were immutable. In fact there could be no settlement of a security question which included fresh recognition of those frontiers, but Germany had neither the power nor the will to alter her eastern frontiers by force. —Reuter.

PATROL BOATS.

ADDITIONS BEING CONSIDERED.

WEST RIVER NEEDS.

London, May 18. In the House of Commons, Mr. H. W. Loefer, formerly of Hongkong, asked whether the Admiralty proposed to provide for the construction of additional patrol boats, for service in the West River, China, in any scheme of new construction now being considered.

Mr. W. C. Bridgeman, the First Lord of the Admiralty, replied that the whole question was now being considered. —Reuter.

COUNTY CRICKET.

LANCASHIRE'S EASY VICTORY.

London, May 18. At Liverpool, Lancashire beat Worcestershire by an innings and 108 runs. Worcestershire scored 121 and 97, Parkin taking 5 for 52 and 4 for 43. Dick Tyldesley in the second innings took 4 for 19. Lancashire compiled 326 for 3 and declared, Hallows contributing 100, and E. Tyldesley 110, not out. —Reuter.

PRINCE'S TOUR.

EXTENDED A WEEK.

Cape Town, May 18. It is officially announced that the Prince of Wales' tour in South Africa has been extended a week. He departs from Cape Town on July 29th, instead of July 22nd, as originally arranged, allowing a week's rest at the end of the actual tour in the country. —Reuter.

NEW SCHOOL.

A MAMMOTH LOCAL SCHEME.

ON 23-ACRE SITE.

Hongkong will soon have an educational establishment which will be one of the finest throughout the Far East. We refer to the new Diocesan Boys' School now under construction near Homuntin, which, it is hoped, will be ready for occupation by next Chinese New Year. Recently, we had an opportunity of going over the site, and were greatly struck with the extent of the scheme. The new building, which is in the shape of a double-sided "E," has been planned on comprehensive lines, and some idea of its size may be gained when it is stated that it covers as much land as the whole of the Hongkong Cricket Club ground.

THE SITE AND BUILDINGS.

The area of the site is 23½ acres, or over one million square feet, and it is situated on three hills to the N.E. of Yaumati railway station. On the north side of the site there is a 100 feet road from Lai Chi Kok via Samsui and Yaumati to Kowloon City; on the east side there is another 100 feet road from Kowloon via Yaumati to Kowloon City. The site is thus almost in the centre of the Kowloon peninsula and is very easy of access by rail and road. Almost adjoining the site are the Ho Mun Tin and Kowloon Tong Garden Cities. All the land to the N.E. of the railway is a European reservation—that is, for houses built in European style. To the west of the railway is a large piece of land reserved for a Government Park; so much so that with regard to the site of the school itself, the site formation of two hills is costing \$150,000. The hills are not being levelled to the level of the road, but the whole site is being kept up about 120 feet above sea level; the third hill, on which it is planned to build staff houses later, is not at present being developed.

The school buildings, which cover an area of land about the same size as the Hongkong Cricket Club ground, are being placed at the north end of the site and face the south; in front of the buildings will be about twelve to fifteen acres of playing fields on one level. Immediately in front of the buildings will be a terrace about two hundred and forty feet long and 20 feet wide. With regard to the buildings themselves these are in three parallel blocks linked up by a large hall; each block of buildings is three storeys high, about two hundred and forty feet long and faces south, along which side there are verandahs.

In the centre of the main front block, which is the only part of the buildings which is four storeys high, is a store room on the ground floor above which are offices, and above that two storeys of four rooms, each storey for staff quarters. In the east wing of this block there are changing and cloak rooms and shower baths on the ground floor, three classrooms and one waiting room on the first floor and four staff and mess rooms on the second floor. In the west wing there are changing rooms, etc., four classrooms and four rooms for matron and lady teachers. In the centre block there are two wings. In the east wing on the ground floor will be found a boiler room, a receiving room, a tuck shop and a games store; on the first floor, there will be a book store and three classrooms, and above this a large bathroom and a small dormitory for 25 boys. In the west wing there is a box and store room on the ground floor, science rooms on the first floor and a bath room and dormitory on the second floor.

In the north block of buildings there are on the ground floor a large dining room, kitchen and service rooms and a large boarders' play room. On the first floor there are seven large classrooms and a lavatory accommodation, and on the second floor a large dormitory for 100 boys with two masters' rooms at each end. The hall links up the front block and

PEAK AND KOWLOON.

ANOTHER COMPARISON.

We have received the following letter for publication:—
SIR,—I am glad to see that one of your readers has come forward to show that Peak people are now [very much] penalised when compared with the more fortunate folk who live in Kowloon.

As your correspondent says, time was when there was a myth abroad that Peak residents were regarded with special favour by the authorities, but whatever may be true of the past that does not hold good to-day.

It is about time the public realised that the Peak is no longer the preserve of the super-rich. It is to-day inhabited by people who are not out East for their health but who have to work just as hard as anybody else. That being so, we have a right to expect equal treatment with other parts of the Colony. As your correspondent remarked, Kowloon has good transport facilities, with promise of even better services, whilst the poor Peak ories in vain for a new tramway service to feed the outlying Magazine Gap residential district. Kowloon, also has its Fire Brigade, whilst the Peak folk have to make their own arrangements.

Then, sir, let us contrast Peak travelling facilities with those of Kowloon. It looks to me as though the Peak Tramway Company considers its patrons as doing them a special favour by using the tram, whereas the boot is on the other foot. If a late car is run, even ticketholders have to pay fifty cents extra. The Kowloon Ferry often runs late boats after theatres free of charge. Moreover, the "Star" Ferry never charges for parcels, however big; the Peak Tramway Company demand payment even on a 15-lb. package. In other words, if I want to go for my house without paying for transport, I must order less than 15 lbs. with the result that when the coolie arrives topside I'm lucky if I get 10 lbs. after ordering 12, for even the Peak Tramway Company must realise that ice melts.

"Hoping someone will champion the cause of Peak people in these and other questions.

Yours etc.

PATIENT PEAKITE.

Hongkong, May 19th, 1925.

the middle wings. The size of the hall is 100 feet by 50 feet and under it is a covered playground. At the north of the hall are a large stage and two retiring rooms, above which is washing space for boarders.

Between the six wings of the buildings there are four quadrangles and at the north of the hall is a fifth quadrangle. These quadrangles are about 80 feet by 70 feet in size.

The whole building will be dominated by a tower about 100 feet high.

The approach drive from the main gate at Ho Mun Tin is about 420 yards from the main gate to the main entrance to the building. There will be a private entrance to Yaumati railway station and another from the road to the north of the site. About three quarters of a mile away, and easy of access, is the new Kowloon Hospital.

In addition to the cost of forming the site (\$150,000) the cost of the buildings now being built and to be completed by February, 1926, is \$530,000.

FINANCIAL POSITION.

As to the financial position: the sale of the school's old site, the Government grant, subscriptions and the school reserve fund total \$659,000 but with cost of site, building, equipment and fittings, sports ground, headmaster's house, etc., a sum of \$265,000 is still needed. In this connection, the scholars are trying to raise \$42,000 towards the equipment, and donors of \$1,000 and more will be called Founders, whilst those who give \$3,000 or more will have part of the building called after them.

A special appeal is being made for the money still needed so that this fine school may start under the best possible financial conditions.

LOW BASEMENTS.

HOUSEHOLDERS BREAK THE LAW.

SERVICE OF NOTICES.

Recent activity by the local Sanitary Department has resulted in quite a number of householders receiving notice that the basements of their premises are not of sufficient height for use as servants' sleeping quarters, and they have to discontinue such usage. The height of any basement as used has to be at least nine feet from floor to ceiling.

Evidently most householders have not troubled to measure the height of their basements, and the use of same as servants' quarters has long been the practice. We understand that, chiefly owing to the scarcity of accommodation and overcrowding that has resulted, there is hardly an occupied house in the Colony which has not somebody living in the basement. Owing to a recently inaugurated campaign against overcrowding, on the part of the sanitary authorities, inspectors have been going round taking measurements, and the crop of notices has been the result.

In many cases, householders were quite innocently breaking the rules and regulations, and now there is much grumbling at being unable to find alternative accommodation for domestics. Very many houses, we are told, have inadequate servants' quarters, it evidently having been the intention of the builders that the basement should serve.

BUILDING AUTHORITY EXPLAINS.

A representative of the Telegraph has made enquiries from Mr. A. E. Wright, the Building Authority, who explained that the law requires that no building or premises without a clear space of 9 feet from floor to roof shall be used for human habitation. This is the absolute minimum, and applies to servants' quarters. It has been the law since 1903, and subsequent amendments have not altered this provision.

Mr. Wright pointed out that no plans for a house had been passed unless there was an undertaking, where the basement was less than 9 feet in height, that it was only to be used for storage purposes.

Generally speaking, there appeared to have been breaches of this law owing to overcrowding, and the sanitary authorities were taking action.

As regards European dwelling houses, Mr. Wright added, the original requirement had been a minimum of 12 feet for bedrooms, but this had operated harshly in such cases as Peak residences, exposed to gales, which thus offered a higher surface to the wind. Furthermore, the London requirement for a living room was only 8½ feet and in other parts of England it was 9 feet. So eventually the requirement for a European dwelling house was reduced to the present figure, 10 feet.

For servants' quarters in such houses the requirement is 9 feet (hence the basement question), but for Chinese tenement houses, usually crowded, the minimum height of a living room remains at 12 feet.

WAR DEBTS.

FRENCH PLAN MENTIONED.

Paris, May 18. The Temps understands that the French Government within a fortnight will submit to the United States and Great Britain a definite plan for settlement of the war debts. —Reuter.

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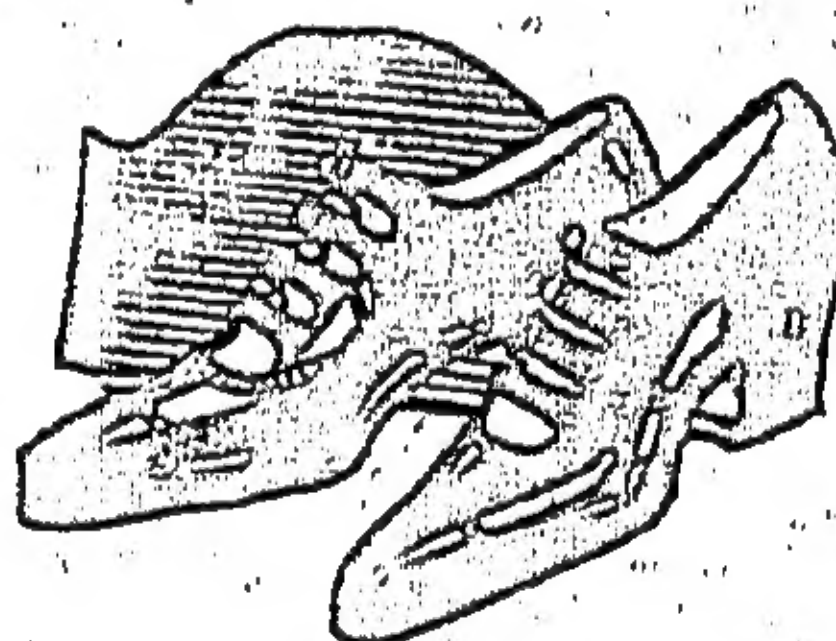
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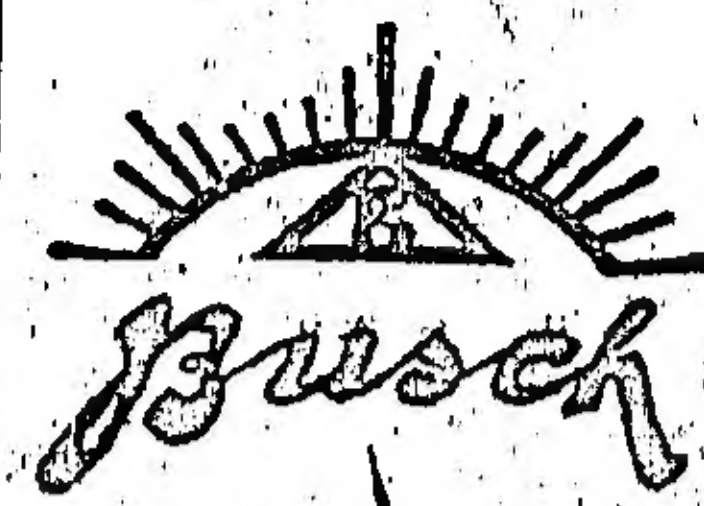
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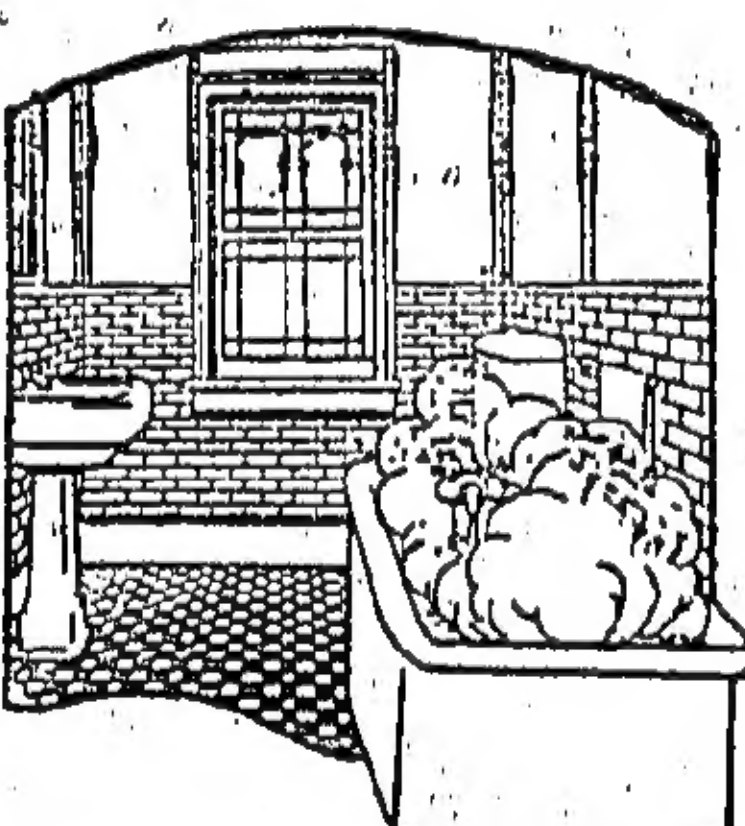
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

FRANCE AND GERMANY.

Paris, May 18.

The French draft reply to the German security proposals is given prominence in the newspapers as a remarkable document. It proposes a mutual guarantee by Germany on the one hand and France and Belgium on the other, endorsed by Britain and Italy. The guarantee will cover Germany's western frontier but it is noteworthy that the reply emphasises that France will not tolerate the annulment of her engagements with Poland and Czechoslovakia and will not permit haggling in regard to Germany's eastern frontiers.

It is significant that France now insists upon Germany unconditionally entering the League of Nations before negotiations are undertaken. France's attitude on Germany's eastern frontiers is supported by the conference of the Little Entente powers which has just concluded at Bukharest. This conference unanimously decided that the frontiers created by treaties must be respected.—*Reuter.*

The *Petit Parisien* says that the French reply to the German proposals for security is considered remarkable by all allied diplomats. The basis of the contemplated system consists of a reciprocal guarantee granted on the one hand by Germany and on the other hand by France and Belgium and certified to by England and Italy.

While pointing out the intangibility of Germany's western frontier it says that the pact could not cancel France's engagements toward Poland and Czechoslovakia and would raise an insuperable barrier between France and her eastern allies in case the latter would need French help.—*Havas.*

EUROPE'S WAR DEBTS.

Washington, May 18.

It is generally expected that the American note in regard to debt funding will create a stir among the nine powers concerned, leading to a general disentanglement of the debt situation. Responsible quarters are of the opinion that the Government does not expect immediate proposals from all debtors, but it is thought that some will respond with offers on which preliminary conversations can be initiated.

The opinion in Washington seems to be that the International debt problem centres in France and that once France has taken steps to place her debts to the United States and Britain on a long-term basis there will be an immediate move by other powers.

Private advices say that Italy can be expected to submit a funding proposal soon after France has arranged for the payment of her debt.—*Reuter's American Service.*

INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRIAL CONGRESS.

Rome, May 18.

The Congress of International Industrial Organisations which opened on the 12th at Stressa, province of Novara, at which twenty-one countries, including the chief industrial towns of Europe, North America, South Africa and Japan are represented, has practically concluded its work of examining the principal questions to be discussed at the forthcoming International Labour Conference at Geneva.—*Reuter.*

THE SOVIETS' TROUBLES.

London, May 18.

The *Times* Dantzig correspondent reports a serious rising in White Russia, where an insurgent army, sixty thousand strong, under General Rozovsky, is reported to have seized a large area at Minsk. The Red Army, under Budenny, is operating to crush the revolt.—*Reuter.*

NEW COMMANDER OF CHINA STATION.

London, May 18.

His Majesty the King received Vice-Admiral Sir Edwyn Sinclair in audience on the latter assuming command of the China Station.—*Reuter.*

NEW GOVERNOR-GENERAL FOR AUSTRALIA.

Melbourne, May 18.

Mr. Bruce, the Prime Minister, has announced that Sir John Lawrence Baird will succeed Lord Forster Governor-General.—*Reuter.*

PROPERTY SALE.

**FEATURELESS BIDDING AT
CHINA AUCTION ROOMS.**

At the China Auction Rooms yesterday, Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa put up for sale three leasehold properties under instructions from the mortgagees, but although there was a large attendance, neither of the lots elicited more than one bid above the upset price.

Lot one was subsection 6 of section A of inland lot Uo. 411 together with the erections thereon known as No. 240 Queen's Road East. The property is held for the unexpired residue of the term of 999 years from the 15th day of July 1855. Annual Crown Rent \$19.85. Area 987.40 square feet. It became the

property of Mr. Tang Shiu-kin at \$15,500.

The second was Kowloon inland lot No. 854 together with the erections thereon known as No. 55 Shanghai Street. The property is held for the unexpired residue of the term of 75 years from the 19th day of November 1888. Annual Crown Rent \$10.00. Area 750 square feet. This was knocked down to Mr. Fong Po for \$7,300.

Mr. Fong Po also purchased the remaining property for \$6,500 which was subsection 4 of section B of Kowloon inland lot No. 31 together with the erections thereon known as No. 65 Shanghai Street, Yau-mat. The property is held for the unexpired residue of the term of 75 years from the 25th day of June 1875. Annual Crown Rent \$1.64. Area 716.66 square feet.

**THE HONGKONG
POLICE.**

**SPLENDID, EFFICIENT
FORCE.**

The annual inspection of the Hongkong Police Force by His Excellency the Governor Sir Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G., took place on the compound of the Central Police Station yesterday afternoon. A large number of prominent residents and Government officials accepted the invitation of the Force, those present including Sir Claud Severn, K.C.E., Colonial Secretary; Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Hon. Mr. C. McL. Messer, Colonial Treasurer; Hon. Mr. D. W. Trautman, Secretary for Chinese Affairs; Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy, Director of Public Works; Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sun, Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, Captain Bloxham, Superintendent of Gaol, Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, Mr. S. B. B. McElderry, Mr. Li Yau-tsun, Mr. Chau Siu-ki, Mr. Li Yik-mui, Mr. U Rumlala and a number of ladies.

The total strength on parade comprised 50 Europeans, 60 Wei-chiwei men, 40 Cantonese and 50 Indians. In addition there were the Lewis gun, machine gun and traffic sections, each of which departments was represented by a small contingent of men with equipment. Mr. P. J. Wodehouse, acting Captain Superintendent of police, was in charge of the parade, being assisted by Mr. D. Burlingham, acting Deputy Superintendent, Mr. J. Kerr and Mr. E. J. J. both Assistant Superintendents. Drawn up in double ranks on both sides of the compound, the men presented a picture of neatness and alertness indicating a high standard of efficiency.

Accompanied by his A.D.C., Captain R. Neville, H. E. the Governor arrived at 4.30 and was met by Mr.

Wodehouse and Sir Claud Severn. His Excellency inspected the ranks, and afterward presented medals and other awards to members of the Force, shaking hands with all the recipients. The men drew up in a square, with the Cantonese police and Lewis and machine gun corps as background for the presentation.

**Hero of Canton Road Affray
Honoured.**

The following is a list of police officers receiving medals, commendations and other awards.

Inspector T. Murphy, King Police Medal. For courage and resource on the occasion of the affray with armed robbers at 206 Canton Road, Yau-mat, on December 26, 1924.

P. S. A. 49 Fender: Fourth Class Medal. For courage and resource on the occasion of the affray with armed robbers at 206 Canton Road, Yau-mat, on December 26, 1924.

The following officers were commended:

Sub-Inspector Brennan, for the smart capture of a notorious armed robber and pirate at Siu Tan Village on December 4, 1914. At the Criminal Sessions held on December 18, 1924 the prisoner was convicted and sentenced to 9 years' hard labour.

Sergeant A. 130 Hourihan, for courage and prompt action whereby six men, who had committed an armed robbery at Sham Cheng Village, Tuen Wan District, were captured.

L. S. A. 54 Dungey, for the excellent manner in which he has performed his duties during the last six months especially when employed as Sergeant in charge of Piquet (Searching).

L. S. A. 109 Flattery, for excellent work while in charge of the detective Searching Squad during the period December 2, 1924 and April 14, 1925.

Shooting Prizes.

P. S. A. 90 Carpenter, Champion-ship Cup for Revolver Shooting (Pr-

THE DAVIS CUP.

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seated by H. K. Sharobrokers Association).

P. S. A. 90 Carpenter: Mandi Cup for Revolver Shooting.

P. S. A. 90 C. (Pent): Muske (Presented by Superintendents Police).

L. S. A. 31 Whant: 2nd. pr Championship Cup for Revolver Shooting.

L. S. A. 31 Whant: 2nd. pr Handicap Cup for Revolver Shooting.

L. S. A. 33 Wynne: H. E. Governor's Cup for Revolver Shooting.

I. L. S. B. 4 Hazara Singh: Mus try Cup 1st prize.

Sergeant Major Niamat, Kh Muekety 2nd. prize (\$10).

The Governor's Address.

After the presentation His Excellency addressed the men and said: Mr. Wodehouse and men the Force. This is the last time shall have the pleasure of seeing you on parade and I just want tell you how pleased I am to be been associated with such a splendid, efficient Force as that of Hongkong. You have had hard times since I have been here, and you have done excellent service. I only thank you on behalf of the Government and the community a wish you the best of luck after have left.

His Excellency then adjourned the main police building and taken round the premises by the Wodehouse. In the meantime the "Dismiss" order was carried out on the parade ground.



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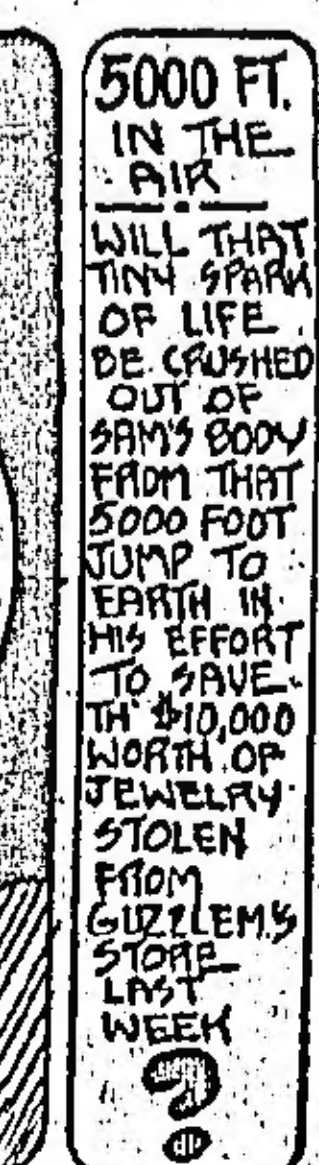
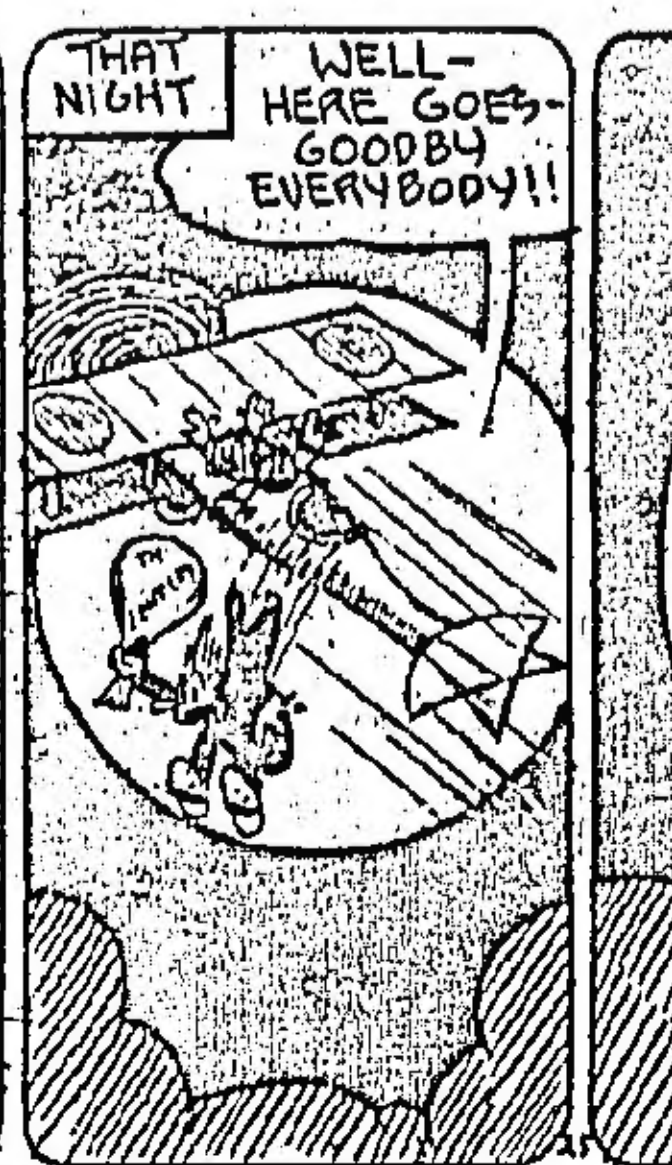
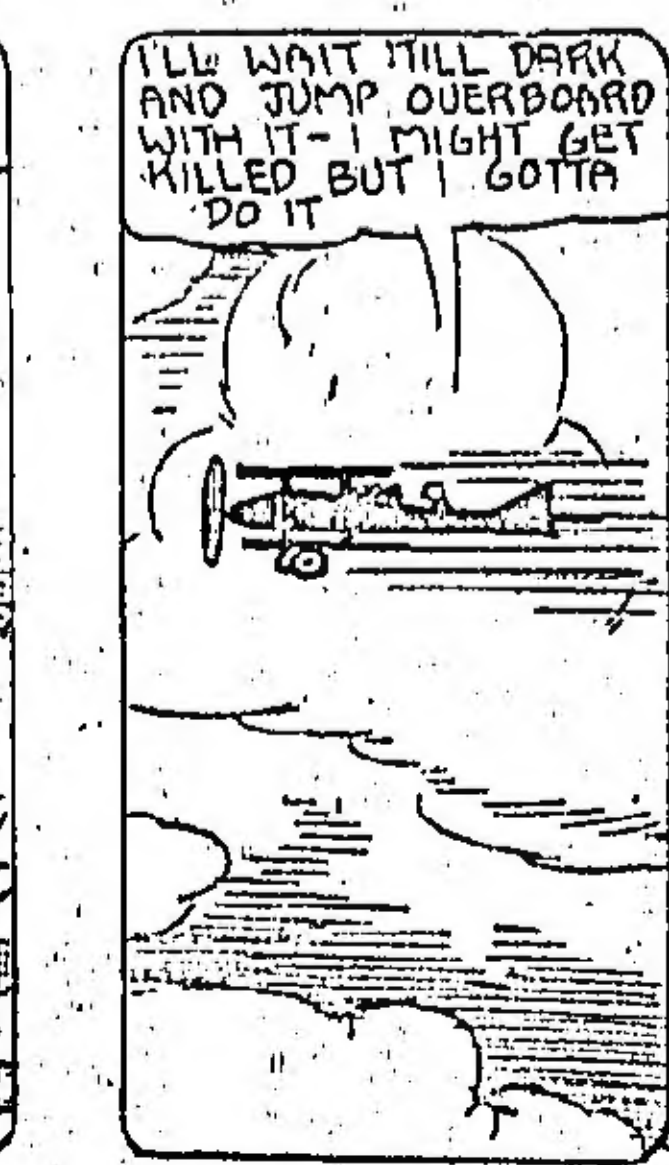
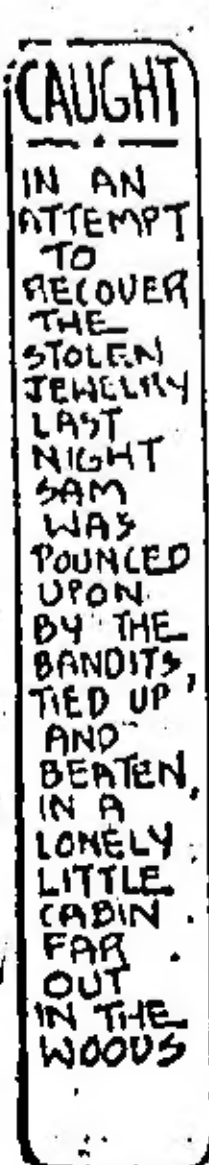
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INTERPORT CRICKET.

SHANGHAI'S STARTLING COLLAPSE.

At the close of play in the Interport match yesterday, the position was as follows:—

Hongkong—1st Innings.

Rev. E. K. Quick, c and b O'Hara	13
E. F. Stewart, c and b Rogerson	13
Capt. Morris, c and b O'Hara	6
A. W. Ramsey, b Allison	30
Pay-Lt. Cdr. Hargreaves, R.N., c and b O'Hara	10
C.Q.M.S. Stripp, c and b Wilson	7
H. N. Balhatchet, c and b Divecha	18
A. C. I. Bowker, b Allison	38
Capt. West, b O'Hara	0
Capt. R. F. Walker, c and b Divecha	0
E. B. Reed, not out	0

Extras.....1

Total.....145

Hongkong—2nd Innings.

Rev. Quick	6
E. F. Stewart	14
Capt. West	4
Capt. Morris	41
Pay-Lt. Cdr. Hargreaves	40
A. C. I. Bowker	0
C.Q.M.S. Stripp	4
H. N. Balhatchet	4
A. W. Ramsey	8
E. B. Reed	0
R. F. Walker, not out	2

Extras.....5

Total.....127

Bowling Analysis.

Runs.	Wkts.
Wilson.....34	1
O'Hara.....30	3
Rogerson.....17	3
Divecha.....18	1
Allison.....14	1

Shanghai—1st Innings.

H. B. Ollerdsen, b Bowker	32
M. J. Divecha, c and b Walker	10
A. J. W. Evans, b Reed	0
Dr. H. H. Morris, b Walker	4
J. H. Raikes, b Bowker	21
D. C. Burn, c and b Quick	21
H. Rogerson, st. Stripp, b Quick	14
H. W. Allison, b Bowker	8
Dr. W. E. O'Hara, not out	62
T. W. R. Wilson, b Reed	3
E. G. Barnes, b Walker	0

Extras.....9

Total.....167

Bowling Analysis.

Runs.	Wkts.
A. C. I. Bowker	33
R. F. Walker	31
E. B. Reed	34
E. K. Quick	23

Shanghai—2nd Innings.

H. B. Ollerdsen	0
A. J. W. Evans	11
M. J. Divecha	12
Dr. H. H. Morris	9
D. C. Burn	11
J. H. Raikes	0
Dr. W. E. O'Hara	0
H. W. Allison	28
H. Rogerson, not out	15
E. G. Barnes	0

Extras.....8

Total (for 9 wkts.).....89

WORLD THEATRE.

"THE ELEVENTH HOUR."

The building around which most of the action of "The Eleventh Hour" surges was constructed at great cost by the William Fox Film Corporation expressly for this production of the Lincoln J. Carter melodrama.

The building was to represent a great iron factory. No artifice was possible in this scene. Ordinarily when a building is a necessity, and cannot be found for filming, it is built on the studio lot with only one, or at the most, two sides. In this instance, the work to be pictured within was the melting and welding and shaping of iron. Therefore, a factory not unlike a real one was built.

The huge vats in which the iron ore is placed for purification, the various and multitudinous apparatus for the production of iron-ware, all were included in this great construction undertaking.

The vats particularly came in for a considerable amount of attention. Pursuant to Lincoln J. Carter's story, the fate of the heroine was destined to hang suspended over one of these vats in which molten iron glowed. Shirley Mason, who co-stars with Charles Jones in this feature, relates the horrible experience this incident brought her. She was lowered over the vat from which the liquid iron sent appalling heat. The crane on which she clung was lowered too near the vat. She almost suffocated and suffered terribly from giddiness. Charles Jones, as he was scheduled to do in the scenario, came up and rescued her just as the heat and height were about to loosen her precarious hold.

RULE AFTER 1,000 YEARS.

Athelstan's Dead Hand at Malmesbury.

A romantic search for the true portrait of King Athelstan, first King of All England, has been made on behalf of the commoners of Malmesbury, who still hold the 500 acres given to their ancestors 1,000 years ago for driving out the Danes.

"Pious King Athelstan," whose remains lie in the wonderful old abbey, granted to the town certain rights and privileges because of the bravery shown by Malmesbury men.

Now, to mark the 1,000 years' enjoyment of the King's gift, the freemen have decided to subscribe towards a stained glass portrait of their benefactor, to be placed in the town hall.

This is to go with other panels—one of them being of Athelstan's father, King Edward the Elder, to be given by 13 ex-mayors of the town.

The question arose: What was King Athelstan really like?

The "Old Corporation," a body which is one of the oldest in the kingdom, took the matter in hand.

Ancient books were consulted, statues were observed, archives ransacked, and experts consulted. The matter was placed in the hands of Dr. W. E. St. L. Finny, of Kingston-on-Thames, where Athelstan was crowned. The doctor is probably the greatest living authority on King Athelstan, having made a life study of his history.

At first there was a question as to whether King Athelstan had a beard, said the High Steward of the Old Corporation (Mr. M. H. Chubb) to a press representative recently. It appears that he had, according to the oldest known portrait in Milton Abbas, Dorsetshire.

SHEPHERD'S DAUGHTER.

His mother, Eowina, was the daughter of a Saxon shepherd named Bercher, who lived in a village in a Dorsetshire wood. She is described, says Dr. Finny, as having been a girl of transcendent beauty and of charming manners.

Her marriage was secret, but when Athelstan was seven years old his grandfather, Alfred the Great, publicly acknowledged him as a boy of Royal rank, put a purple robe on him, gave him a gold belt adorned with jewels, and permitted him to wear a sword.

Actually there is no contemporary portrait of the King or his mother known, the oldest pictures being the quaint paintings in Milton Abbey, founded by Athelstan in A.D. 929. These paintings, which showed the King bearded, holding a model of the abbey, and his mother, holding falcons on her wrist, were there in A.D. 1460.

The Mayor of Malmesbury, Mr. Jones, believes, however, that the memorial panels will be as good a likeness as expert knowledge can obtain, and will closely follow the memorial at Kingston-on-Thames.

"WITH ROD AND TWIG." Much of Athelstan's life is obscure, but Dr. Finny believes the date of his coronation was 924, and that date will be placed on the panel.

King's Heath, as the land given to Malmesbury commoners is called, has always been held by Malmesbury men. No outsider except those who have married a commoner's daughter has ever come into the King's gift, which is done with ancient ceremonial.

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AT THE THEATRE ROYAL NEXT MONTH.

Miss Mabel Garrison, America's foremost coloratura soprano, who is to sing here on June 3rd and 5th at the Theatre Royal is one of the few great artists who do not believe in the so-called "artistic temperament." Opera stars can and should be just like other people, she declares, and in her daily life she does not pretend to be any different from the ideal of housewife and home-lover of the majority of American women who do not happen to have the wonderful voice which is the gift of Miss Garrison. Moreover she is a clever and cultivated woman and her friends describe her as being very different from most opera prima donnas. "She is very nice and a very highly cultured woman," they say.

She is happily married to Dr. Siemoun of Baltimore, who was her piano teacher at Peabody Institute, and she has always maintained that while her artistic life may belong to the public, her private life is her own.

AUTHORESS DROWNED.

Miss Mary Sturgeon, the English authoress, fell overboard from the liner Moreton Bay, in which she was returning to England, says a recent Hobart message. In spite of the fact that the Moreton Bay was steaming 16 knots the body was recovered within 15 minutes. Efforts at resuscitation failed, and the body was buried at sea.

royal Burery of five hides or land near to my town of Norton for their assistance in my conflict against the Danes;

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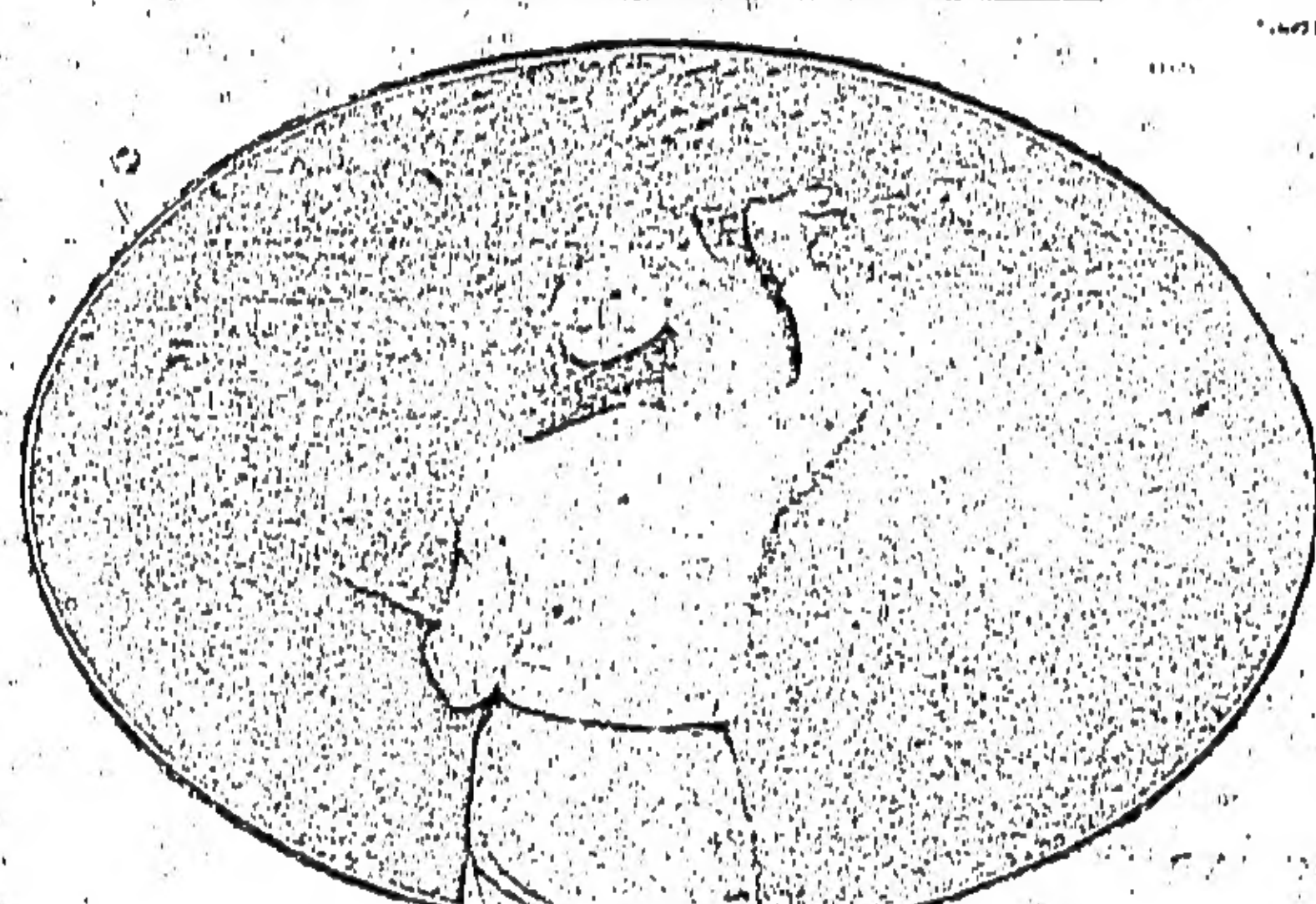
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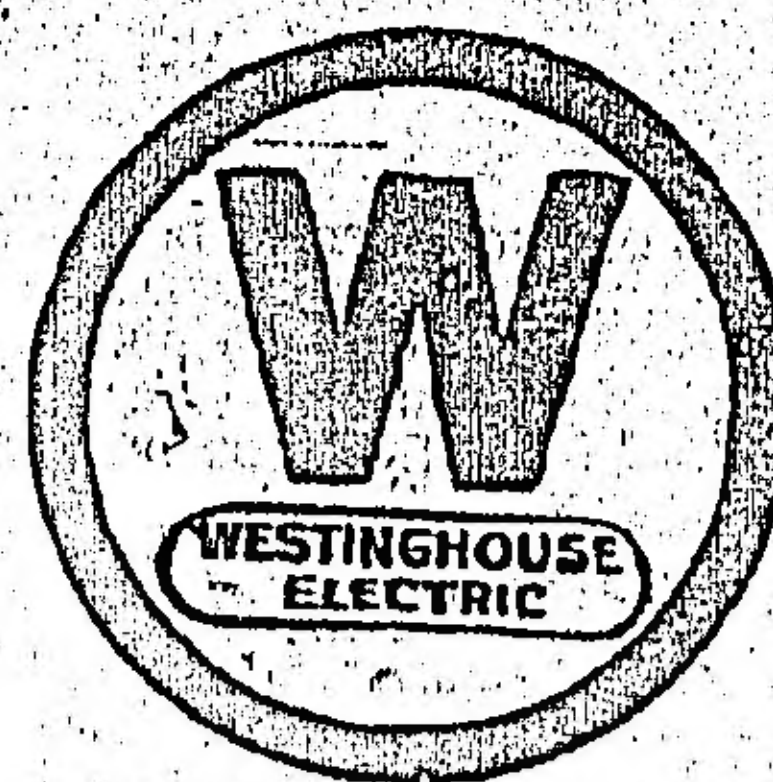
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LIGHT ON LEN.

Revolution Planned in London.

When the news was brought to Lenin of the capture of the Winter Palace in Petrograd, which meant the success of the Bolshevik Revolution, he made the sign of the Cross before his face.

How strange that this great apostle of atheism should so far forget himself in the excitement of the moment as to resort to a mechanical exercise of the most sacredly significant of all Christian rituals.

Lenin's body is now lying in a red coffin with a glass lid in a specially-built mausoleum in the Red Square, the centre of Moscow. Sometimes the peasants who go to view it cross themselves in its presence, and the Red Guards at once come forward and reprimand them. "You must not do that here!" they command.

But the simple peasants are bewildered. In their pilgrimages to the mausoleum they are accustomed to cross themselves before the open coffins of departed saints. And when they see the body of Lenin laid out amid such pomp and circumstance some of them naturally think that he, too, must be a saint.

Not far from the Red Square is a shop where caricatures of a revoltingly blasphemous character are exhibited; and only the other day an official academy for propagandists of scientific atheism was opened in Petrograd. But the Bolsheviks realise the truth of the saying that if there had been no God man would have had to invent one. The God which they are trying to invent is Lenin.

Trotzky, who is much in the public eye at present, has written and spoken much about Lenin, and some of his contributions have just been translated and published in book form by Messrs. George G. Harrap (Lenin, by Leon Trotzky). It is from this book that we take the little incident of the sign of the Cross.

Trotzky believes that Lenin and Karl Marx are the two greatest men who ever lived; and it is not hard to guess who he imagines is fit to be the third in that illustrious company. It is of interest to relate that all three spent a considerable part of their revolutionary career as exiles in London.

Lenin lived in Bloomsbury, and compiled much of his revolutionary philosophy in the Reading Room of the British Museum. It was he who showed Trotzky round London.

"That," he said, "is their famous Westminster."

"Their" was always Lenin's way of alluding to the enemy, the

anomy being the bourgeois of course.

IN ENGLAND.

When in England in 1901 Lenin took some part in working-class activity. But he had no very high opinion of the British proletariat (the Bolsheviks are very fond of the word proletariat). "Among them," he said, "there are many revolutionary and Socialist elements, but it is all so intertwined with Conservatism, religion, and prejudices that it cannot reach the surface and become the property of all."

It was while in London that Lenin got his fixed idea of universal revolution in the form of proletarian dictatorship. And from London he directed secret activities in Russia in accordance with their principle.

Thus it may be said that the Bolshevik revolution was planned in London more than 20 years ago. One of Lenin's colleagues remarked of him at that time: "From their dough comes Robespierre."

Thus Lenin was a man who had one faith from beginning to end of his life, and he was determined from the outset to stop at nothing to realise it. It is clear that he was the author of the terror. He was always insisting upon the need for shooting and dictatorship. "At every passing opportunity," so Trotzky told us, he emphasised the absolute

necessity of the terror; all signs of sentimentality enraged him. His sanguineness knew no bounds. In 1918 he was preaching that within half a year Socialism would be successful, and Russia would be the greatest State in the world. Yet he said of Wells, who told him that Communism was acting too hastily, "What a Philistine! What a monstrous little bourgeois!"

Trotzky adds that Lenin could not stand Wells's pompous self-satisfaction, his narrowness, his civilised haughtiness and his civilised ignorance on his own account.

He adds that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is "a more settled and gloomy puritanical variety of the same type," ending up by predicting that one day statues will be erected to Lenin and Karl Marx in Trafalgar-square—only if the Bolsheviks are so faithful to such bourgeois monuments as statues it is hard to explain.

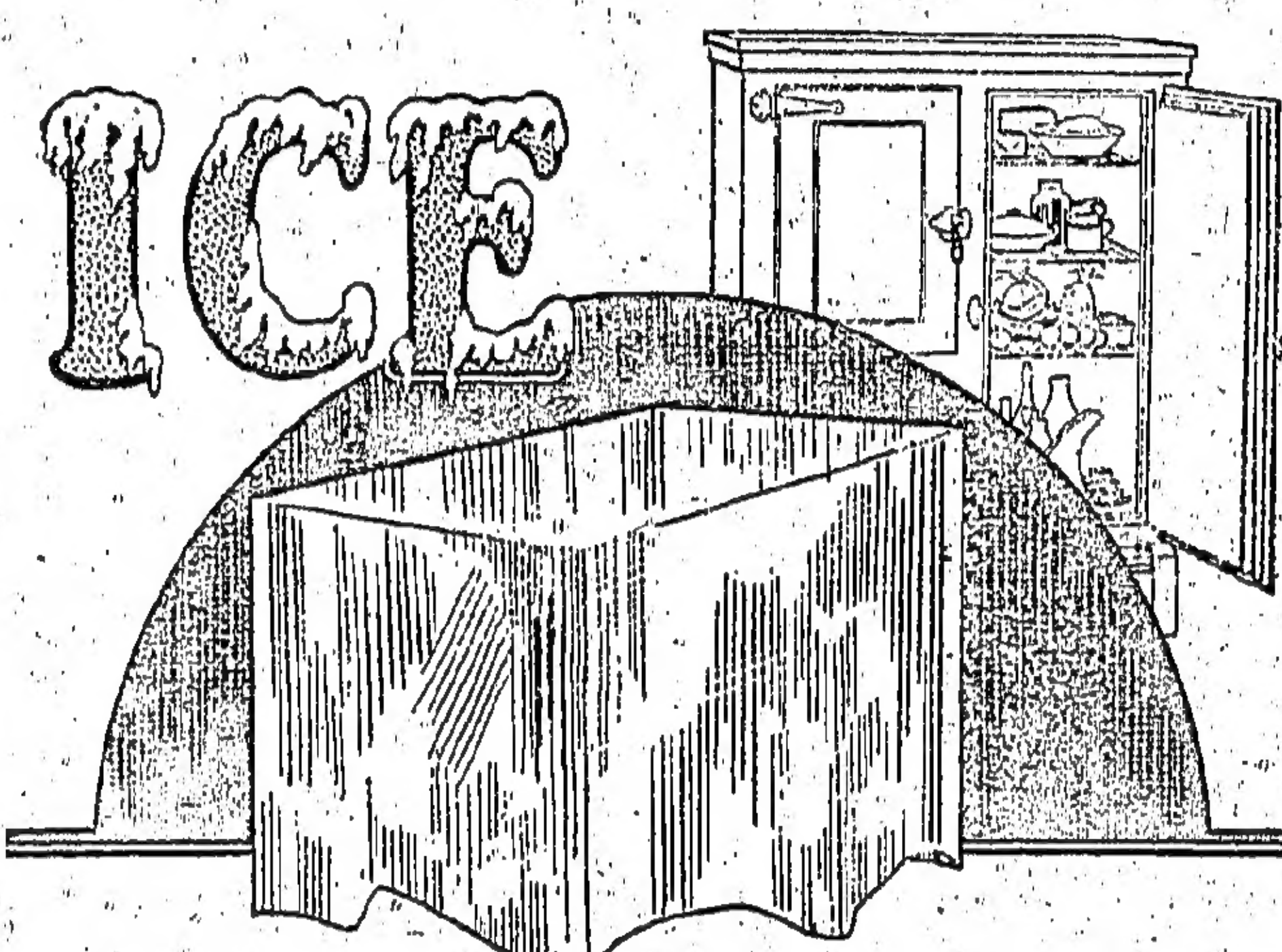
It is evident from these pages, as from all literature on the subject, that it was Lenin's will that alone made the Bolshevik revolution possible, comments the Daily Chronicle.

Trotzky played a theatrical, but secondary part. But this fact which is not published in the book under review, ought to be mentioned. The triumvirate that governs Russia to-day were

against the Bolshevik revolution when it occurred, and they only went with the stream when power had actually been conquered. Perhaps it would have been better for them had they persisted in their boycott, for what have Lenin and Trotzky done to entitle them to fame: made of Russia a wilderness in the midst of which they have survived a dictatorship, but not of the proletariat—a terror that has been unequalled in severity in the world's history. If this is Socialism—!

GAOL FOR SALE.

The Calton Gaol of Edinburgh, one of the most prominent architectural features of the city, is to be sold by public auction. The goal is the first building of importance to attract the attention of visitors entering the city from the south by the L. and N.E. Railway. It overlooks the Waverley Station, the Canongate and Holyrood Park, and is frequently mistaken for the Castle. The Calton Prison, picturesque as it is, and built at a time when architectural effect was considered of more importance than economy, or even the uses to which a particular building was to be devoted, no longer meets modern ideas of what a prison should be.



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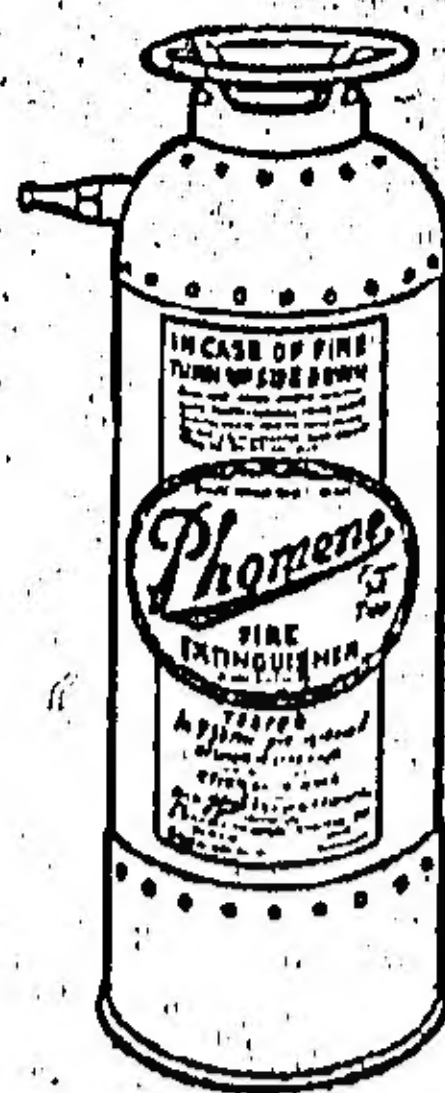
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Mr. and Mrs. F. X. Sousa and family beg to thank all relatives and friends for their kind expressions of sympathy and floral tributes sent in their recent bereavement and also for their attendance at the funeral.

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 19th May, 1925.

A BASEMENT BASIS.

The interview granted by the Building Authority to a representative of this paper, published to-day, should serve to bring home to the public the laws on the subject of space in dwelling houses. It is evident that many people have never troubled to consider that there might be such things as minimum heights for living rooms, with the absolute allowance in the case of basements, namely nine feet. We think we are correct in stating that the practice of accommodating servants in the basement has become so much a matter of course, that no-one thinks of finding out whether a new home moved into has any stipulation that such space is only to be employed for storage purposes, nor does a householder make a point of measuring the height from floor to ceiling. As a result, the use of basements as servants' quarters has been going on for a good number of years, and latterly, with the varying amount of overcrowding which has resulted from the lack of cheap houses, the use of a basement merely for old furniture, and so forth, has come to be looked upon as a waste of valuable living accommodation. We have not the statistics to go upon, but we rather think that the number of householders who have thus been breaking the law, and are doing so to-day, must be very large. However, nemesia, in the form of the sanitary authorities, is overtaking the lawbreakers, and they have been given a fortnight in which to "abate the nuisance," or words to that effect.

We understand that this campaign against the misuse of basements is founded on a commendable desire to minimise the risks of tuberculosis and other infections which follow overcrowding, and form such a bad feature of Hongkong's health reports. Nobody can criticise such an effort towards the general well-

being, nor quarrel with the zeal that is being displayed in seeing that the sanitary laws are complied with; but we wonder whether this is not a case where a little concession might be made to the public, during the period that the housing problem is in process of being solved. While tropical countries no doubt require higher living rooms than temperate climates, the height of nine feet in a long and wide basement is quite a generous provision, and we think there should be more attention to actual cubic space per individual than adherence to the strict letter of the law. Under the present regulations, a basement of the legal height, and of average ground space, would be permitted as sleeping quarters for servants, who might actually crowd it, whereas a place much larger in area, but only eight feet high, would be barred to even one person. In most of the cases which have been brought to our notice, basements are of fair height, but just fail to reach the legal altitude. Owing to the often inadequate provision for servants made in the case of most of the older type houses—perhaps two miserable rooms for an establishment which would require at least four servants of both sexes—the turning of two or three domestics out of an airy basement merely because it is below the fixed height involves a real problem of alternative accommodation, and some amount of hardship, and can actually lead to worse overcrowding in such quarters as are available. We think it is a matter in which a little discretion might be exercised—so long as no serious crowding is shown—and the already worried householder be relieved of this additional tax on his resources.

Loyalty Recognised.

In connection with the restoration of the old iron gates at Kam Tin, in the New Territories, which ceremony is to be fittingly marked on Saturday next, it is interesting to learn that this act is to be carried out in recognition of the loyalty of the inhabitants of that village since the year 1899, when the gates were removed as a punishment for resistance offered to the British occupation. The New Territories, as is generally known, were leased to Britain on June 9th, 1898, by Convention signed at Peking, the period of the lease being 99 years. It was not, however, until April 16th of the following year that the Territories were formally taken over, this being done by the hoisting of the Union Jack at Tai Po. The occasion did not pass off without trouble, however, for three days later opposition was forthcoming in the shape of an attack by some 2,600 Chinese on the British troops. Arising out of this incident, Sham Chun city, situated over the new border, was occupied by our troops from May 16th to November 13th. All this, however, is old history now, and it is a source of much gratification to feel that there has been no serious trouble since. In fact, there is ample evidence to show that the inhabitants of the New Territories are fully appreciative of the security they enjoy under British rule, and we have no doubt that next Saturday's ceremony will be yet another tangible proof of Britain's goodwill to the Chinese of this Colony. It is an extremely graceful act which is to be put into effect, and in times such as the present the event is not without a special and very pleasing significance.

Democracy.

Martial law has now been abolished in Spain, and maybe we shall see a loosening in the power of the dictatorship which has been exercised by Primo de Rivera, with a return to something more nearly approaching free government. But it is well to cherish no illusions that the world is yet safe for democracy. In Spain, and in Italy as well, democracy failed because government by the people had ceased to

DAY BY DAY.

DOES NOT LIFE GO DOWN WITH A BETTER GRADE, FOAMING IN FULL BODY OVER A PRECIPICE, THAN MISERABLY STRAGGLING TO AN END IN SANDY DELTAS?—R. L. Stevenson.

From Mrs. W. S. Drake we have received a parcel of magazines for the troops. These may be had on application to this office.

The silk which left here by the P. and O. s.s. Karmala on the 18th April was delivered in Marseilles on the 17th May, a transit of 29 days.

Besides the telephone resolution, the Renta Bill is to again come before the Legislative Council on Thursday, as well as three second readings.

A Chinese woman who attempted to commit suicide, by taking an overdose of opium, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday in a serious condition.

Mr. Hawkins, a vice-consul in the American Consulate-General, has reported to the police the theft of \$80 from his home at No. 53 Kennedy Road. A house-boy who is missing is suspected.

For his being in possession of a dagger which was found hidden in an umbrella, Mr. E. W. Hamilton, sentenced a Chinese to six months' hard labour at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

"The Brotherhood of Religions" will be the subject of this week's public lecture of the Hongkong Lodge of the Theosophical Society, 16, Queen's Road Central, on Wednesday May 20th, at 5.45 p.m. The public are invited.—Adv.

Lam Yung-san, a Chinese male, yesterday committed suicide by stabbing himself in the heart with a pocket knife, in the home of his sister-in-law at No. 112 Sha Po. The deceased was suffering from dropsy, and it is thought that he committed the rash act in a moment of mental depression.

A Northern Chinese was sentenced to 14 days' hard labour by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, for stealing 10 lbs. of ice, which was left outside the Dairy Farm's premises in Nathan Road, Kowloon, yesterday, prior to being distributed to various customers.

The Cheung Chuen nunnery at Castle Peak was the scene of a robbery the night before last, when robbers, equipped with torches, forced their way into a room occupied by an aged nun, and stole money and jewellery to the value of \$285. The four men engaged in this enterprise stayed in the place for three quarters of an hour before they made their escape.

A sudden gust of wind the night before last caused a sampan to capsise in the harbour. The sampan was at the times werving to one side to avoid collision with a junk ahead of it. The master and his wife and child were thrown into the water, but the former managed to swim to the steamer Arabestan, where he was picked up by the quartermaster. His wife and child were unfortunately drowned.

Last Saturday the owner of a car had the misfortune to break the back axle of his machine and with the other three occupants of the car was commencing to "foot it" homewards. Fortunately, before they had gone far a small British two-seater car happened along and although already carrying one grown-up, one child one dog and one bathing basket, proceeded to accommodate the stranded four persons, two of whom were adults. Her 11.4 horse power proved quite adequate to deal with the load.

be government for the people. The world must have government for the people, but it does not need to have government by the people, and whenever democratic Governments cease to serve, we may depend upon it that they will be abolished by the people themselves. A desperate people prefers a dictatorship. There is nothing necessarily final or lasting in any form of government. The responsibility is on those who love democracy to make it fit to survive—in other words, to make it fit to meet the modern tasks of a modern world.

PLAY AND PLAYERS.

"SAMMY" GREEN DISAPPOINTS.

By "Wanderer."

Though even the most sanguine of his supporters did not anticipate that "Sammy" Green would defeat O'Callaghan when they met yesterday afternoon in the fourth round of the open singles, they certainly expected the K.C.C. player to put up a good show. But he failed disappointingly, and O'Callaghan had one of his easiest matches in the tournament.

The conditions were all against good tennis, the balls being lifeless and difficult to control, but the Captain adapted himself much better, and, after winning the first eleven games without a single reverse, he carried off the match in three straight sets 6-0, 6-2, 6-4.

The margin was, however, less pronounced than the score might suggest, for although Green mistimed the ball badly on many occasions, he always succeeded in taking points, three of the first six games going to deuce before O'Callaghan made them safe. O'Callaghan was driving the ball with plenty of power and occasionally bringing off some pretty cross-court shots. The second set saw Green improving and the third and fourth games both went to deuce before, by clever placing, O'Callaghan bid fair to win the second set as easily as he had taken the first. Five-love in his favour was called, but in the following game, Green made a great effort and getting on to the ball more accurately succeeded in taking the game off O'Callaghan's service. The seventh game produced a fine struggle and went eight times to deuce. Green gained the decisive point and O'Callaghan replied by taking his one and only love game during the match.

O'Callaghan was careless in trying to bring off some spectacular shots in the third set and Green led 2-1 only to see his opponent pull up and go to 4-2. O'Callaghan retained the lead and took the set and match at 6-4. O'Callaghan, too, was affected by the conditions, but he played sufficiently well to beat his opponent with comfortable ease. Green was not a patch on his normal self, and no doubt he gave it up as hopeless after his mistakes in the opening set.

Dr. Valentine put up a great fight against Major Hattersley Smith in the final of the Handicap Singles "A" and delightfully long rallies were frequent. Valentine often recovered the ball from seemingly impossible positions, but he had to admit defeat by three sets to one after taking the first set. The figures were 2-6, 6-4, 6-2, 8-6.

A long drawn out struggle between O.W.E. Bishop and L.M. S. Lloyd in the final of the Handicap Singles "B" continued until the shades of night were falling fast, and both live to fight another day.

On "Torry" Wilson and Rogerson does the fate of Hongkong to-day depend. Shanghai require 17 to win and there remains but one wicket to fall. The chances, I suppose, are about

ARMS IN PARCEL.

EUROPEAN CONCERNED?

That he was carrying the parcel on behalf of another man and that he was unaware of its contents was the defence of Pang Yin, a cabin boy on the President Cleveland, who was charged before Sir Henry Gollan, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, with possession of an automatic pistol and 306 rounds of ammunition.

Mr. H. K. Holmes prosecuted and Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Messrs. Lee and Russ) defended.

The Crown story was to the effect that a picket under the control of Sergeant Dungray was searching all pedestrians in Praya East about 9.50 p.m. on April 23rd. An Indian sergeant stopped the prisoner and feeling inside a parcel he was carrying found a box containing ammunition. The parcel when opened disclosed an automatic in a case, and 306 rounds of ammunition. Prisoner said that he met Ho Ming, who had been a passenger

on the Cleveland and had promised to give him \$10 as cash; by accident in Wanchai. He asked him for the money and was told that he would be given it if he went with the passenger. Ho Ming took him to a brothel in Spring Garden Lane, went upstairs and returned with the parcel in his possession. He asked witness to carry it for him. When stopped by the Indian he told him in English "This one parcel. Him no belong me. Him give me Ho Ming. He give me take and pay me \$10." (The Indian constable denied this). He told him the same thing in Cantonese.

A. B. WILLOUGHBY BEATEN.

Appropos our paragraph on Saturday in reference to the meeting of A. B. Willoughby and Marine Trinder, I am inclined to think that there has been some mistake in the information, especially as Tom Barry is even now the cruiser-weight champion of England. The fights mentioned were certainly down for decision and, as a matter of fact, have already been decided. The point is whether or not they were eliminating contests. In the first place, Phil Scott is a heavyweight and Tom Barry found this to his cost, for though by his wonderful generalship he made Scott look miserably ineffective in the earlier rounds, Scott fought extremely well afterwards and confirmed a previous points decision over Barry.

Willoughby, who carried all before him when with the Hawkins on the China Station, was to have met Marine Trinder at the Alcazar, Edmonton, but Andrew Newton, a new star in the fistie firmament, was substituted at the last moment and though conceding much weight to the seaman, fought so well that he forced the tough Willoughby to retire in the twelfth round. A Home writer says that "at first glance one would construe it a foolish idea for Newton to give away lumps of weight to a man of Willoughby's calibre, but that's where sound judgment comes in for the Professor's son (Newton is a son of the well-known boxing man) pulled all his speed, power of punch, and reach advantage to score a meritorious victory. It was a splendid battle right up to that point and the tough seaman had taken a deal of heavy punishment before he would acknowledge defeat."

SCOTSMEN!

Scotsmen are Scotsmen even amongst themselves if a story in reference to a certain transfer is to be believed. When, two seasons ago, MacGregor, the outside left of Musselburgh Bruntonians, accepted promotion to Armadale, the Musselburgh Bruntonians were assured by Armadale that they would receive a cheque when Armadale's "ship came home." The "ship" arrived in due course, the Rangers securing MacGregor's transfer at a fee running all but into four figures. Armadale has sent £7,100 to the Bruntonians!

NOT PERMISSIBLE.

In answer to many enquiries, I am instructed to inform competitors in our Limerick Competition that although this week's Limerick has reference to golf, the language of the links is most positively not permissible.

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Evidence was given by a woman residing at the brothel. She told how a European came to the house accompanied by a Chinese carrying a parcel. The European told her to allow the Chinese in the house as he was his "boy." The parcel was put in her cubicle and the "boy" went away, returning about an hour later for it. She saw the "boy" go away with the prisoner. The "boy" was carrying the parcel when he left.

The case is proceeding.

NEW PENSIONS SCHEME

PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECT EXPECTED.

London, May 18.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Neville Chamberlain moved the second reading of the Widows and Orphans Old Age Contributory Pensions Bill, which was outlined in Mr. Churchill's Budget speech.

He pointed out the adoption of a non-contributory scheme, as urged by Labour, would cost the Government four times as much as was proposed and he was of opinion that despite the cost to employers, which was estimated at ten and a quarter million sterling annually in the first ten years, the latter must admit that the scheme would have a psychological effect in increasing the output of contented workers.

The scheme would enable four hundred thousand workers of over sixty-five to retire, and afford employment to younger people. Further, it was likely to result in immediate, substantial relief of rates.

Mr. John Wheatley proposed an official Labour motion for rejection, on the ground of inadequacies.

Mr. Lloyd George supported the scheme. He favoured a contributory basis, and in view of the other demands on the public purse for social reforms, he suggested that disemployment and not age be made the real test in connection with the scheme.

The debate was adjourned.—*Reuter.*

ARMY FIRST.

MUSSOLINI'S VIEWS.

Rome, May 18.

The Senate has adopted by 160 votes to 28 a Bill co-ordinating the Headquarters Staffs of three arms under an Army chief. Replying to the former Minister of Marine (Admiral Revel), who opined that Italy's destiny lay on the sea and who objected to the subordination of the Navy to a military chief, Signor Mussolini said the Navy must not be subordinated to the Army, but in view of the likelihood that the next war would be terrestrial, the Army would be the greatest of three forces and must accordingly furnish the chief for the joint defence headquarters.—*Reuter.*

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The winning last line for this week, together with some of the other efforts sent in, will appear in next Wednesday's *Telegraph*.

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SINGAPORE AND INDIA.

QUESTIONS OF CONTRIBUTION.

London, May 18.

In the House of Commons replying to Mr. George Lansbury, Earl Winterton reiterated that he was unaware whether the Government of India intended to ask the Legislative Assembly to express an opinion with regard to the construction and maintenance of the Singapore base.

It was not a matter primarily concerning India. He was not suggesting, for example, that India should contribute to the cost.

Mr. Lansbury pointed out that some of the Dominions were contributing, and asked was it not possible that India be asked to contribute, and if so would the Indians be consulted.

Earl Winterton replied that the question of discussion by the Assembly was clearly a matter over which the Secretary of State had very little power. It was for the Government of India and the leaders of India in the Assembly to decide whether there should be a discussion. So far as he knew, there had been no demand for this.—*Reuter.*

DERBY CANDIDATE.

DONOGHUE TO RIDE FOR SHANGHAI OWNER.

London, May 18.

It is definitely stated that Donoghue rides the Two Thousand Guineas winner, Manna, in the Derby.—*Reuter.*

[The owner of Manna is Mr. Harry Morris, of Shanghai, who also owns the well-known Field Stable, one member of which, Warrenfield, won the Shanghai Champions this month in record time.]

FIRE ON DUTCH SHIP.

Amsterdam, May 18.

The Dutch steamer Idomenus, from Batavia has partly discharged her cargo, having caught fire in number five hold, in a cargo of maize.

The fire has been extinguished. The damage is not known.—*Reuter.*

RUSSIA AND BRITAIN.

QUESTIONS IN PARLIAMENT.

London, May 18.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Benjamin Smith asked whether the Government was contemplating, or had decided to open, conversations with the Allied Government's with a view to jointly breaking off diplomatic relations with the Russian Government.

Mr. Ronald McNeill replied: "No."

Mr. D. R. Grenfell asked whether any foreign Governments had approached the British Government with a view to a joint agreement to change their policy.

Mr. McNeill replied: "No." Mr. Bon Lilley drew attention to the speech of M. Chicherin declaring that the Soviet Government was ready to assume all the obligations arising out of complete resumption of diplomatic relations, and asked, in view of this, was the Government prepared to reopen negotiations with a view to a complete Anglo-Russian settlement?

Mr. McNeill pointed out that Mr. Austen Chamberlain had often stated that any proposals would be considered.—*Reuter.*

HOLLAND ANNOYED.

FRENCH STATEMENT RESENTED.

The Hague, May 18.

In pursuance of instructions from the Foreign Ministry, the Dutch Minister in Paris has drawn the attention of the French Government to the painful impression caused by a statement recently published in the first volume of the French Official History of the Great War that at the outbreak of the war the Germans passed over Dutch territory, which statement had long been irrefutably proved to be without foundation. The Minister added that he expected a correction to be included in the next volume.—*Reuter.*

SOUTH AFRICAN GOLD.

EMBARGO REMOVED.

Cape Town, May 18.

In the Assembly, the Minister of Finance stated that as a result of the appreciation of British currency, practically to parity with gold, and with the currency of the Union, the Government had decided immediately to rescind the proclamation declaring gold certificates inconvertible, instead of awaiting the lapsing of the proclamation on May 30th.

Gold coin and reserve bank notes will now be legal tender. Gold is now available both for export and internal circulation.—*Reuter.*

ARMS TRAFFIC.

METHOD OF CONTROL.

Geneva, May 18.

The difficulty with regard to the American objection to the establishment of a central information office on the traffic in arms has been solved by the elimination of the central office from the convention and the adoption of an Anglo-Norwegian proposal that the publication of the imports and exports of arms, *et cetera*, be left to the signatories of the convention, who will presumably send these periodical returns to the headquarters of the League.

Mr. Burton consequently withdrew his suggestions.—*Reuter.*

DAVIS CUP.

INDIA BEATS BELGIUM.

Brussels, May 18.

In the play for the Davis Cup, Washer beat Andreac, 7-5, 6-1, 6-1. India beat Belgium in the Davis Cup by 3 matches to 2.

Jacob beat Watson, 6-3, 6-1, 6-3. India meets the winner of Austria versus Ireland in the second round.—*Reuter.*

SWEDEN BEATS SWITZERLAND.

Berne, May 18.

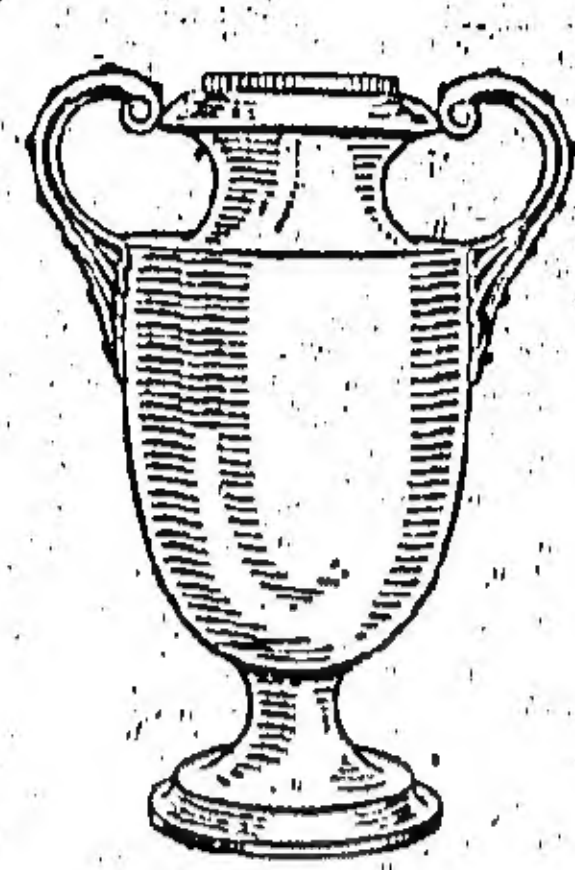
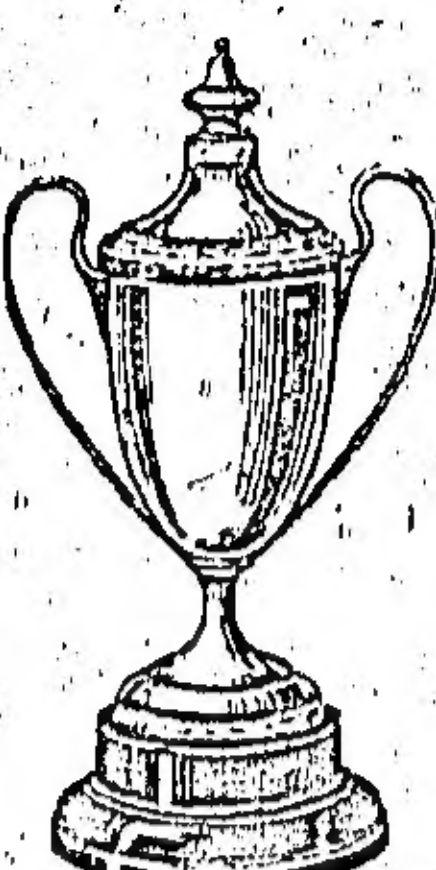
In the Davis Cup first round, Sweden beat Switzerland by 3 matches to 2.—*Reuter.*

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WELCOME TO JAPAN.

Tokyo, May 18.

Commander Wilson, of the Australian warship Brisbane, speaking to *Reuter's* correspondent, emphasised that all ranks were greatly impressed with the hospitality shown by naval and civilian circles alike, instancing the unusual compliment paid to the cruiser by the warship Nagato in welcoming the Brisbane at the entrance to Tokyo Bay with full honours similar to those bestowed on an Admiral with a full squadron.

Commander Wilson referred to a speech by Admiral Kato, Commander, at Yokosuka, in which the latter had emphasised the hope that Australian warships would visit Japan yearly, as such an exchange of visits would establish a personal touch in clearing away misunderstandings.—*Daily Bulletin.*

SHARE MARKET.

SHANGHAI QUOTATIONS.

Messrs. Ellis and Co. have kindly supplied us with the following cable quotations of Shanghai stocks from their Shanghai office:—

Langkats (comb.)—Tls. 26 3/4, buyers.
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Shanghai Docks.—Tls. 132, buyers.
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Orientals.—Tls. 3 7/5, buyers.
Shanghai Cotton.—Tls. 56, buyers.

OUR CABARET.

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Under the direction of James McGrath, Ltd., a bright little show will open a short season at the Theatre Royal in the near future, the date not being definitely decided upon yet.

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SATURDAY'S SHOW.

Mlle. Loulou Dailly, the pretty French dancer, is to appear with her company at the Theatre Royal on Saturday next in a grand gala performance, starring the very latest dance scenes, which will be under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor. Some striking revue numbers will be presented, and Mlle. Dailly will appear in some very novel Paris-made costumes.

ITALIAN AIRMAN'S PROGRESS.

Rangoon, May 18.

Major de Pinedo has arrived at Tavoy, Burma, in the course of his world flight.—*Reuter.*

MILITARY AGE.

Moscow, May 18.

The military age has been raised to 21 years instead of 20.—*Reuter.*

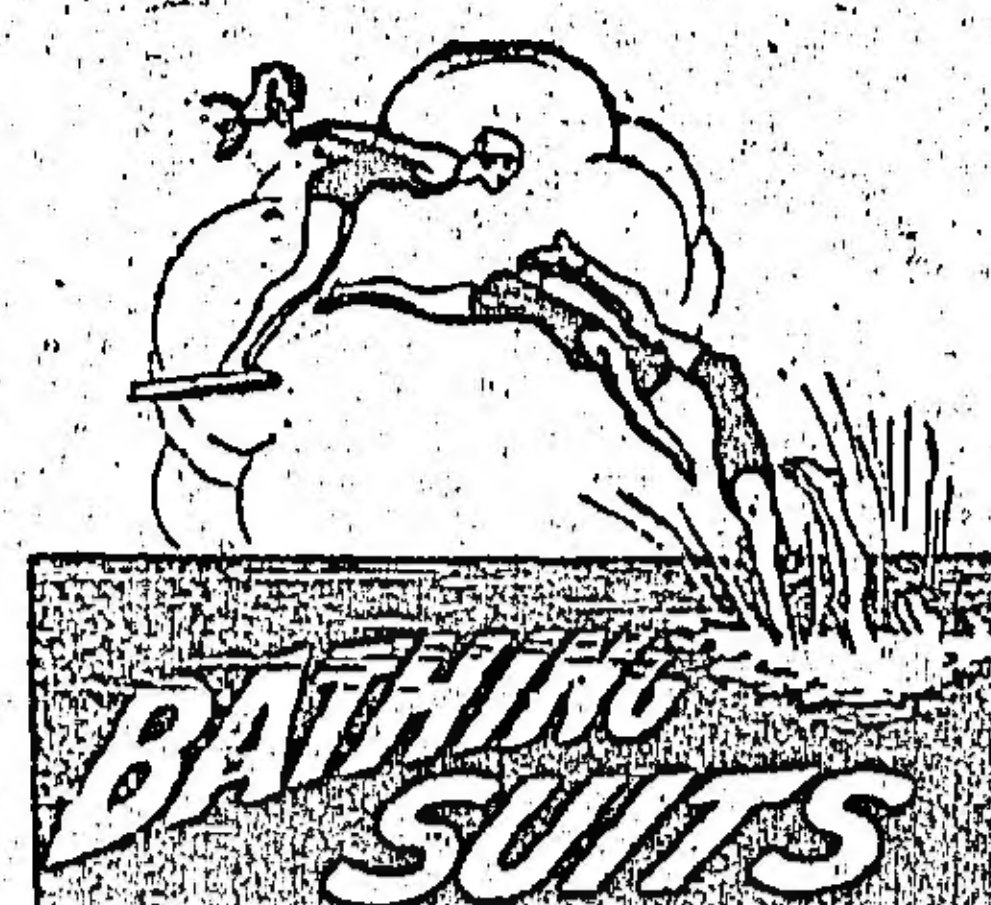
"BLACK HALL," ST. GILES.

Few houses in Oxford are better known in University society than "Black Hall," St. Giles, for so many years associated with the late Mrs. Harriette Anne Morrell. Her executors have instructed Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley to sell her collection of antiquities and works of art on the premises. The library, prints, and drawings, with which the sale commences, are particularly rich in reference to Oxford and its colleges. There is a set of Oxford Almanacs from 1681, probably unique, and a number of local drawings by Rowlandson, William Turner (Turner, of Oxford), Pugin, Sir Jas. Thornhill, Delamotte, and Nash.

LOCUST TRAPS.

The United States Steel Corporation has recently completed an order which, because of its size and the use to which the material purchased is to be put, ranks as a unique achievement. This order involving 43,800 tons of galvanized steel sheets, to be used to trap locusts, was obtained from the Argentine Government, and is probably the largest single order for sheets ever placed. The sheets are used to line culverts in the fields. The locusts which travel in swarms, are caught in the culverts. They find difficulty in climbing the smooth sides, and hence are caught and burned by the farmers.

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King George and Queen Mary photographed in Syracuse, where they spent a day in visiting the principal sights, Prince George and Princess Victoria, who is seen behind the King, were with the Royal party. The cathedral, the museum, and the Greek theatre were among the places inspected. ("The Times" copyright photograph).

At Shanghai Races.



A cheery and typical Shanghai race meeting group. Evidently a win has been booked on this occasion, else the gentleman on the left is humbly describing what amounted to a loss by the wink of an eyelash. Mr. Baker, though listening to the joke, has the eyes on the camera man while the Misses McBain divided their attention. The other lady in the picture is, of course, Mrs. Isoman.

Meet at Coastguard Station.



Numbers of Easter holiday makers from Eastbourne attended the meet of the East Sussex at the coastguard station. A view of the meet. The Master, Lt. Commander H. S. Egerton, is seen in the foreground. ("The Times" copyright photograph).

Won Shanghai Champions.



When Warrenfield, with Mr. Heard riding, was led in after winning one of the most remarkable Champions races for years, great cheering burst out from the spectators at the performance of the pony and the jockey. Picture shows Warrenfield being led into the enclosure.

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ENGLISH FLOWERS.

Glory of the Daffodils.

We are never without flowers in England, comments a writer in the *Spectator*. In the Isle of Wight and in Cornwall roses bloom in every month of the year and on occasion—last December for instance—a bowl of them may be plucked to adorn the Christmas table. That most un-roselike flower, the so-called Christmas rose, is always true to the date in its name. Primroses and primulas are to be found in spinney and garden from December to May. Very soon after the year opens a number of both native and exotic flowers open: cyclamen, hepatica, winter jasmine, Daphne Mezereum—beloved of cottagers—aconite, coltsfoot, snowdrop, the dwarf crocuses, squills and chionodoxas with odd blooms of single arabis and aubrietia. The hazel catkins shed their yellow dust over the little crimson stars. The tassels on the poplars are purple, and purple grow the distant woods. Colour spreads like the approach of dawn; and who can say exactly, as in an almanack, when the great change begins and colour rises distinct above the horizon?

To most of us perhaps the sense of spring hardly comes home till the daffodils, the Lent lilies, flower on some early day in March, "the month that blooms the whins." Earlier we have enjoyed sudden accesses of pleasure in a clump of snowdrops in the garden or a patch of coltsfoot in the field; and wondered at their unexpected powers of resisting cold. Some careful physicist discovered that the hanging bell of the snowdrop, especially the single, held a drop of air two degrees warmer than the surrounding atmosphere. Not till the thermometer was thirty degrees did it freeze within the bell; and it was warmer yet in the snug nursery where the seeds were born. The coltsfoot, which makes splendid deep yellow masses of colour in the very barrenest places, braves the season quite naked. Not a leaf is in sight and the flower star is held erect to receive the slings and arrows of whatever tempest blows. But the unwrapped stalk is proof against frost, as the vulnerable crocus is not. No flower is more surprising. It looks as if it had been set there by careful fingers as flowers are set in an indoor bowl. Spring in some regards has curious analogies with autumn, but if a contrast between the two seasons and the mood of the two seasons is needed, compare the blotched and dirty leaves of the coltsfoot on a muddy stubble in October with these elf-like blooms of early spring.

But the coltsfoot, the wild primrose, or the violet, or any of the February flowers, must be sought out, except in gardens; and even there the massed crocuses and snowdrops are humble and low in the stem.

SPRING'S HERALD.

The daffodil is the first trumpet of spring—and more than even trumpet-like as the fanciers enlarge and heighten its glories. Such varieties as the Emperor or middle Empress grow tall enough for a place in a herbaceous border in summer, and the central tube is so long and opens so wide that it suggests a comparison with the angels' trumpets in mediaeval pictures. But the biggest, as the smallest, derive directly from the Lent lily, the native wild flower that inspired Wordsworth, as he

TO-DAY'S FASHIONS.



The little circular shoulder cape is a very smart feature of this little frock that suggests youthfulness by its slim simplicity. The closely pleated front is held in place by hand done smocking at the waistline. A sash ties at the back.

saw them "shifting the light" in a March wind, and must have delighted the eyes of Tennyson every year of his later life. Indeed, the flower seems to have peculiarly close connexion with men of letter. If anyone should wish to make pilgrimage to its headquarters, two shrines may be named: one is the paddock in front of Lord Tennyson's house at Freshwater—in the Isle of Wight, the other Mackery, End in Hertfordshire, where the flowers have massed themselves round the aged trunks of Spanish chestnuts in a paddock close beside the farmhouse celebrated in the *Elia* essays.

The devices through the earth and stones and—worst barrier of all—matted grass are many and curious, but the "lifted spears" of the daffodils are the best instrument. The crocus flower has an evenly rounded point. The coltsfoot's "thousand arrows" coil into a blunter but harder tip; and in general perhaps the flowers have a more apply devised instrument than the leaves for forcing their tender cells through the rough soil—per aspera ad astra. But the daffodil is an exception. Its flower is pointed and well protected but the leaves do the work. They are flat and almost welded together, like the blade of an American axe. They "hail far summer" not so much with a lifted spear, if one must be precise, as with a lifted knife-blade, and expanding as they reach the top force the earth aside, without suffering so much as a bruise. And they penetrate even when the edge is turned. In all the gorgeous descendants of the Lent lily is to be found no single virtue not decipherable in the wild ancestor, humble though it is. The virtues are underlined; that is all. The trumpets and petals are enlarged. The soft gradations of tint between white and orange are more abruptly separated. Even the dashes of red, that make the glory of such varieties as Barri conspicuous, may be found occasionally in the wild daffodils—the poets and botanists narcissus—that abound throughout Europe.

Here and there in England grow lusty clumps of the double daffodil; but the pure-shaped single flower—of snowdrop and of snowflake as of the narcissus—always precedes the double, and we may safely conclude that these are vagrants from a garden or the harvest of the efforts of some flower-lover, who has consciously enriched the wild. The number of such benefactors is indeed becoming so large that future botanists will have even more trouble than we have in distinguishing the native from the alien. We live in so kindly a country that the most distant strangers become at once at home. Who shall be sure to-day whether the greatercelandine, the dusky geranium, the snowdrop or the double daffodil are alien or native, or at what date the naturalization began?

PRaise OF BRITISH AIRSHIP.

Lecture by German Pilot.

A Zeppelin pilot lectured in London recently on Zeppelins, and praised the trans-Atlantic flight of the British naval airship R34.

He was Dr. Hugo Eckener, and was addressing the Royal Aeronautical Society. He recently piloted the ZR3 (now the Los Angeles) from Germany to America.

He said that he considered the trip of the R34 a much bolder feat than that of his more efficient and capable airship.

Dealing with his flight to America, Dr. Eckener said that his principal concern was with the adequacy of the fuel supply. The ship carried 30 tons of fuel, and had to travel at reduced speed, namely, with 300 horse power to each engine instead of 400 horse-power. The air was extraordinarily turbulent over the water.

For several hours the ship travelled over the fog of Newfoundland bank at a height of 1,500 to 2,000 metres, riding quite calmly and steadily in a stiff north-easterly wind.

The trip from the mouth of the Gironde to Sandy Hook lasted 70 hours, and with the exception of a single broken cross-wire the ship suffered no damage whatsoever.

He had made more than 2,000 trips in airships, and believed that a modern airship was at least as capable in heavy weather as a modern airplane.

Theoretically he was convinced that lightning was not dangerous to an airship. It was caught by the metallic girders, and probably found its exit somewhere around the stern. It was absolutely necessary, however, that an airship must not let out any gas.

Two vital changes in the future development of the airship must be the rendering of hydrogen entirely harmless by partial use of helium and by substituting crude oil for benzine.

MOTOR ROAD TO BRIGHTON.

\$2,500,000 Project Decried.

Motorway season tickets are a possibility of the near future if Parliament sanctions the construction of the proposed London to Brighton motorway, which is to cost £2,500,000.

A Bill in connection with the scheme will be presented during the autumn session.

The motor way will be 38 miles long, and will cost £66,000 a mile. It will start at Tolworth (well named, for it is there that the race into a blunter but harder tip; and in general perhaps the flowers have a more apply devised instrument than the leaves for forcing their tender cells through the rough soil—per aspera ad astra. But the daffodil is an exception. Its flower is pointed and well protected but the leaves do the work. They are flat and almost welded together, like the blade of an American axe. They "hail far summer" not so much with a lifted spear, if one must be precise, as with a lifted knife-blade, and expanding as they reach the top force the earth aside, without suffering so much as a bruise. And they penetrate even when the edge is turned. In all the gorgeous descendants of the Lent lily is to be found no single virtue not decipherable in the wild ancestor, humble though it is. The virtues are underlined; that is all. The trumpets and petals are enlarged. The soft gradations of tint between white and orange are more abruptly separated. Even the dashes of red, that make the glory of such varieties as Barri conspicuous, may be found occasionally in the wild daffodils—the poets and botanists narcissus—that abound throughout Europe.

Throughout its 38 miles it will avoid all large centres of population, and as there will be no speed limit, it is estimated that it will bring Brighton within an hour and a half of London to the average motorist. It is to be built on land which at present is almost entirely agricultural, and will have no hidden corners, dangerous cross-roads or steep gradients.

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Only rubber-tired vehicles will be allowed to use the motorway, the construction of which will give employment to about 10,000 men for two years. The scheme will be put in hand as soon as Parliament passes the Bill.

DAILY HUMOUR.



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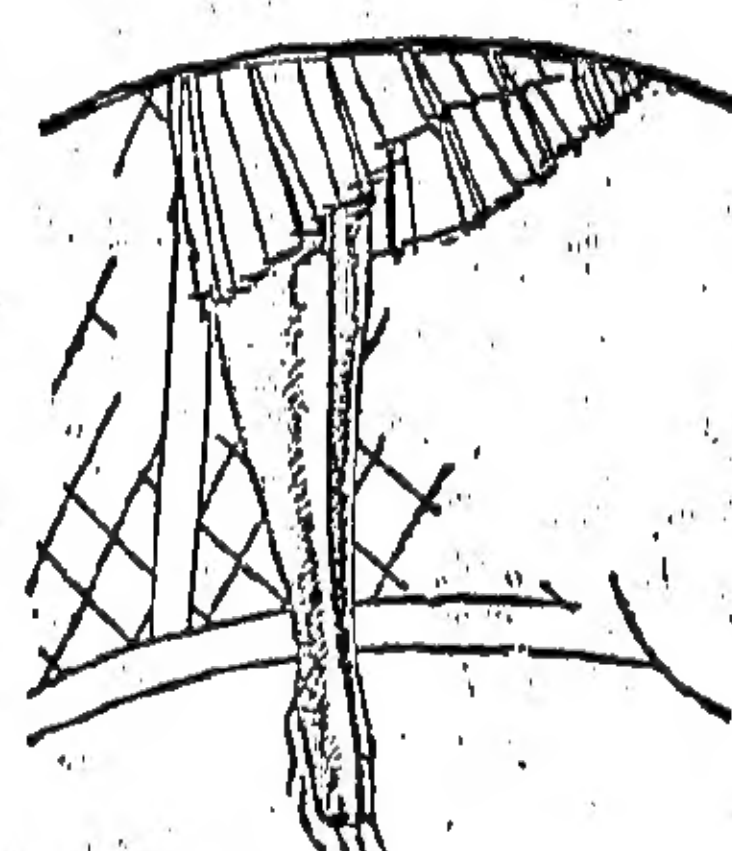
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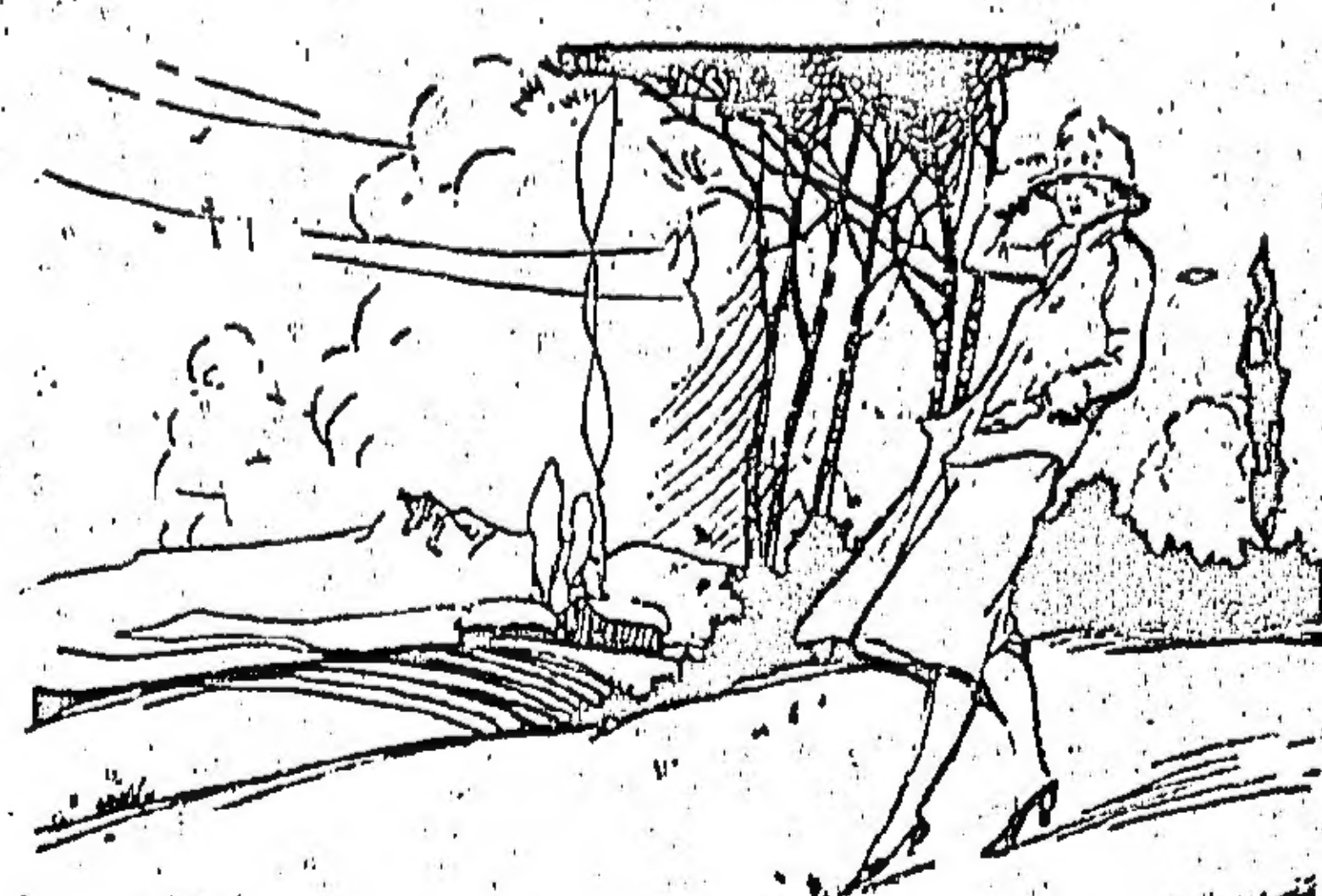
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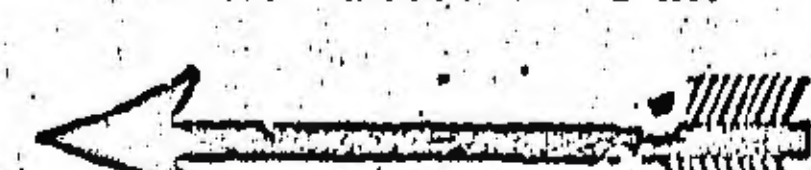
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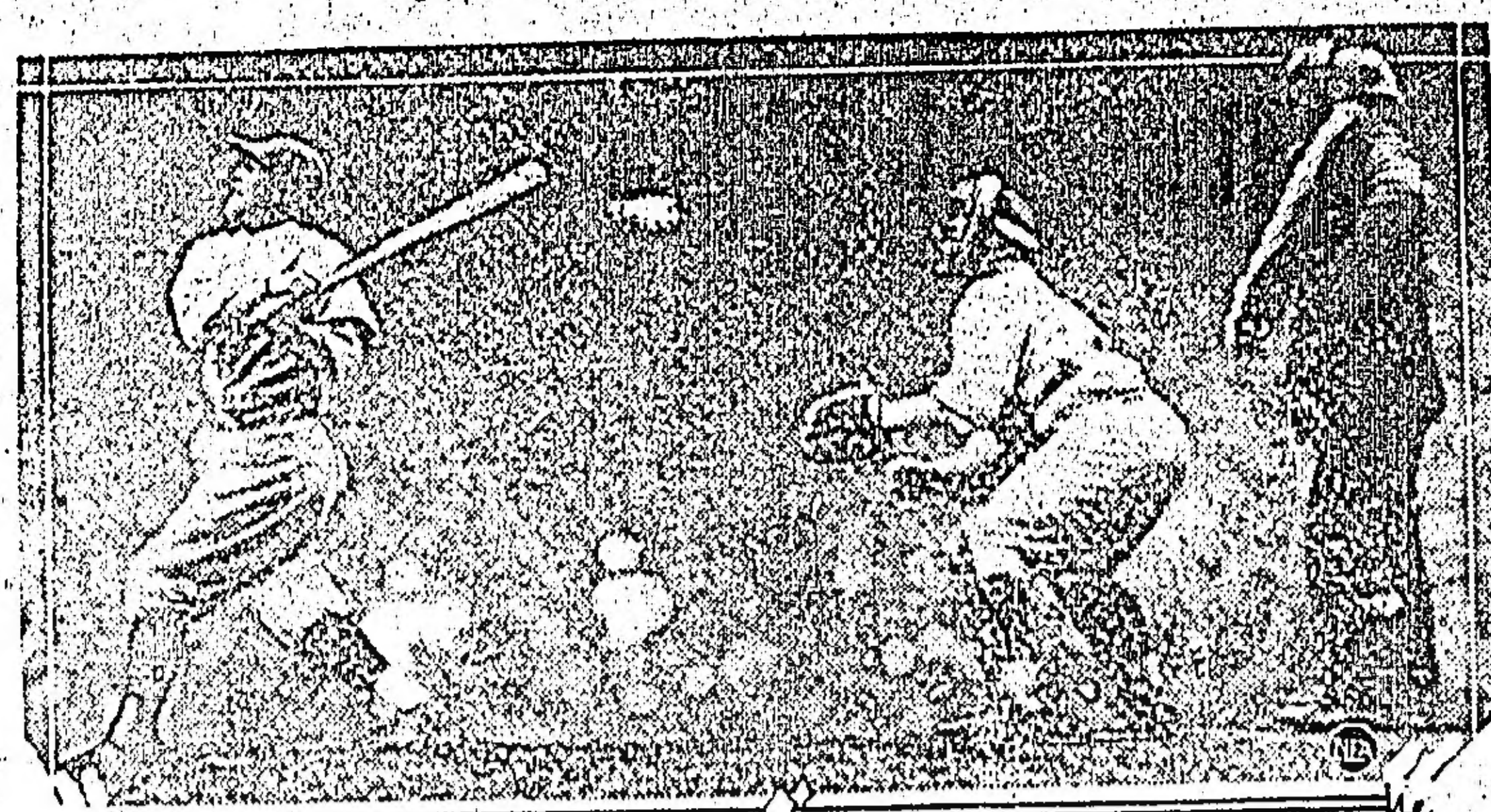
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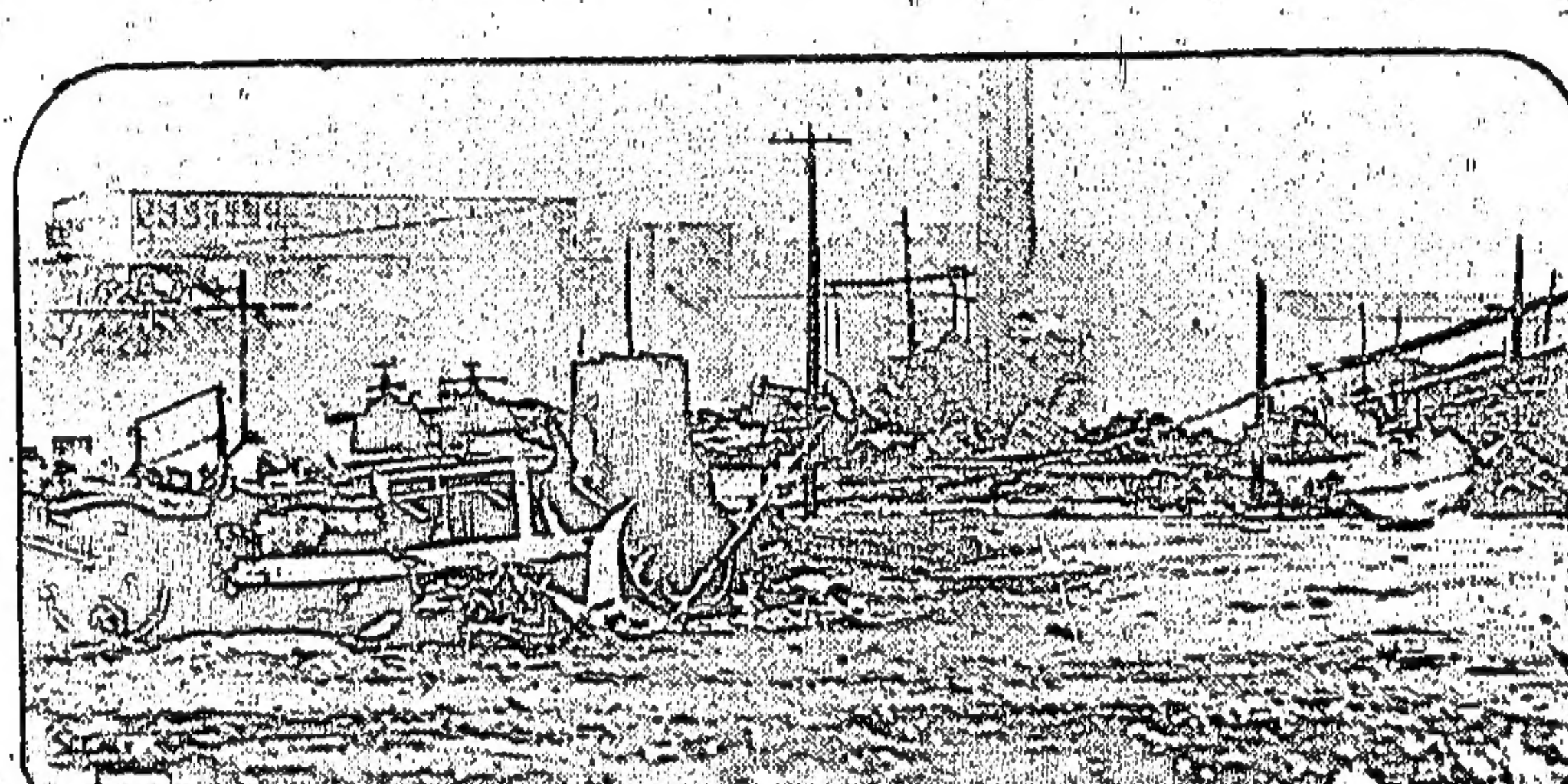
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McNeely, the first man up for the World Champion Senators, kisses the first ball pitched in the opening game of the 1925 pennant chase, for a sharp liner, on which he was thrown out at first. Steve O'Neill, Yankee catcher, is the man behind McNeely. Baseball players will probably understand all about it.

Result Of An Explosion.



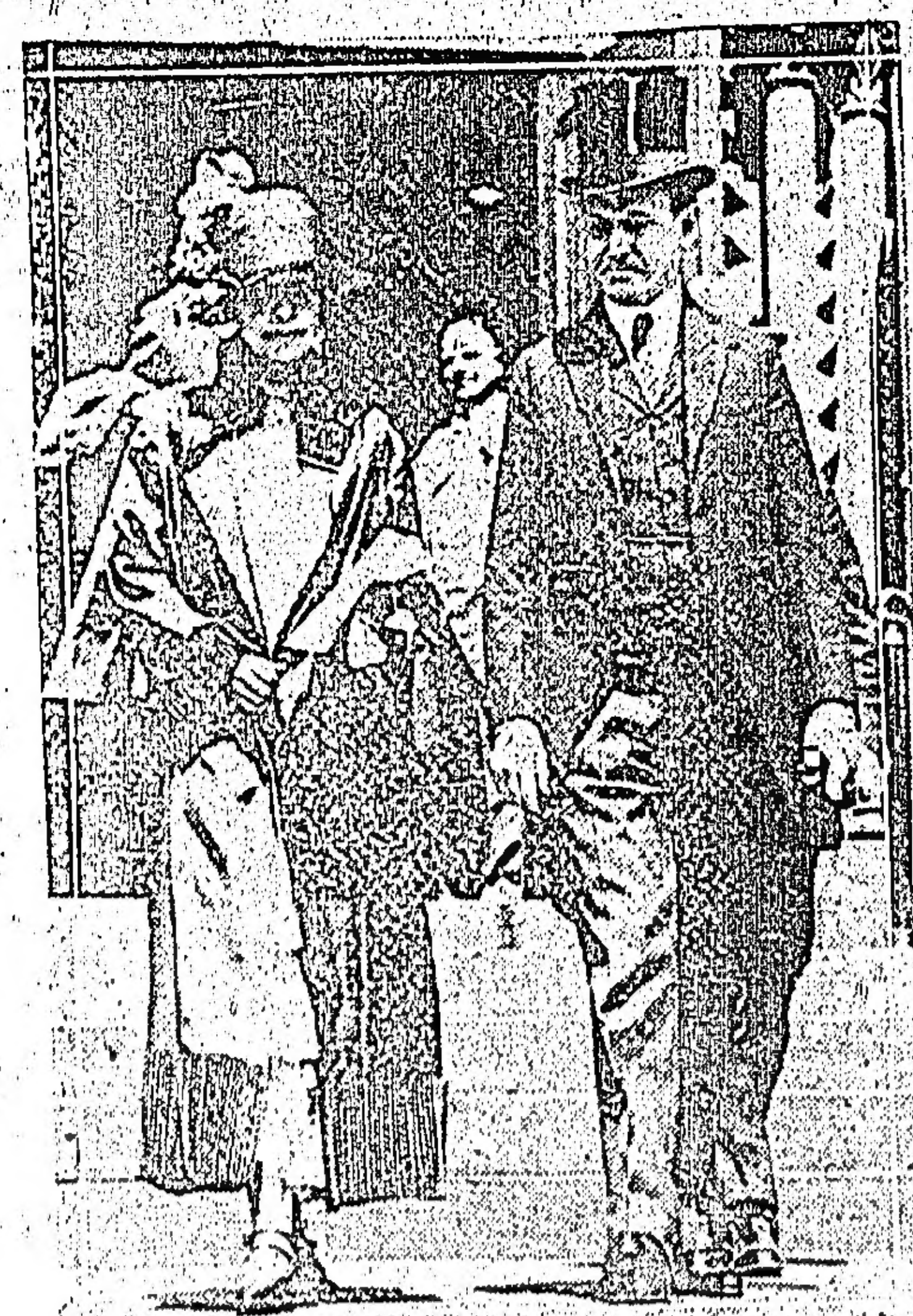
A hundred buildings were demolished, one person was killed and many hurt after a fireworks explosion in the plant of the National Fireworks Co. at Hanover, Mass. The photo shows part of the wreckage of the plant.

Paris Students' Strike.



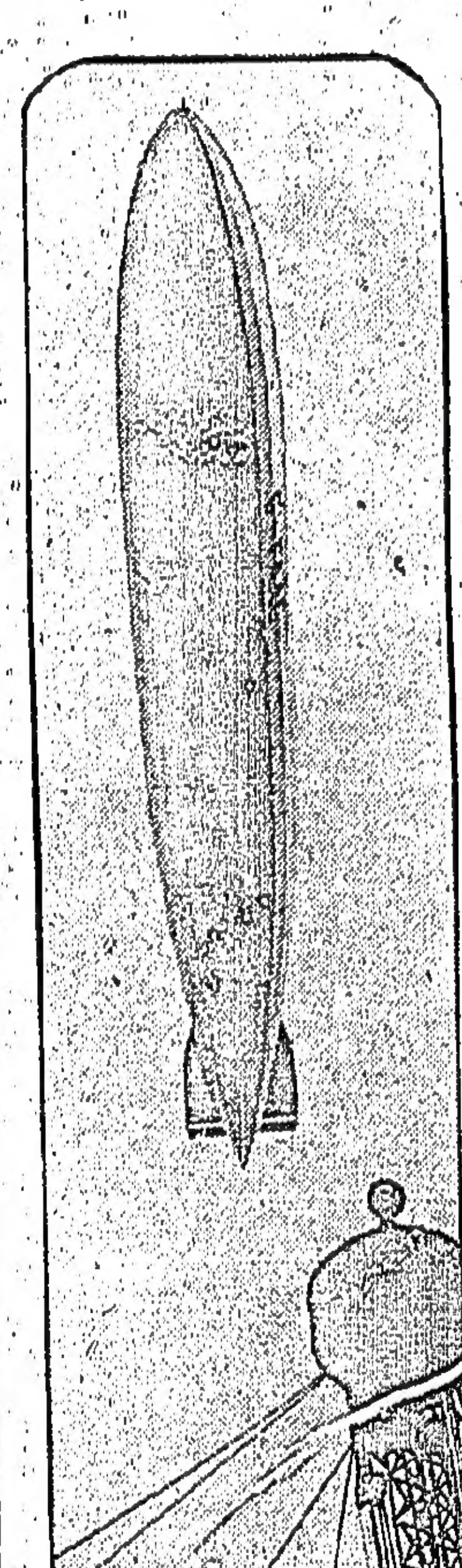
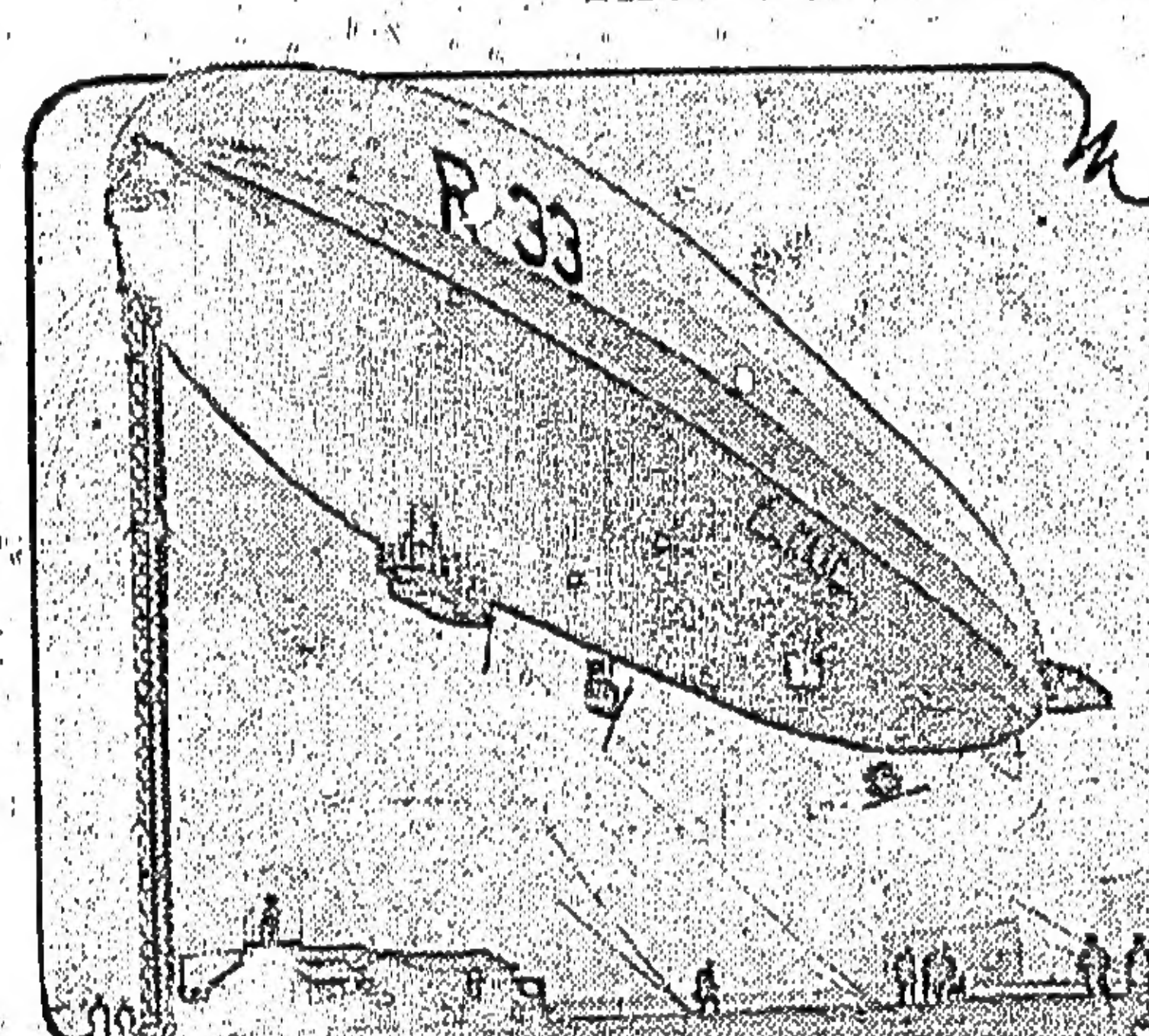
Fifteen thousand Paris students struck as a protest against the closing by the Government of the law school of the Sorbonne. They staged a vast parade, starting at the law school and passing the home of the suspended dean of the school, M. Barthélemy.

White House Styles.



Here are President and Mrs. Coolidge leaving the Congregational Church in Washington after the Easter Sunday services.

The Staunch R33.



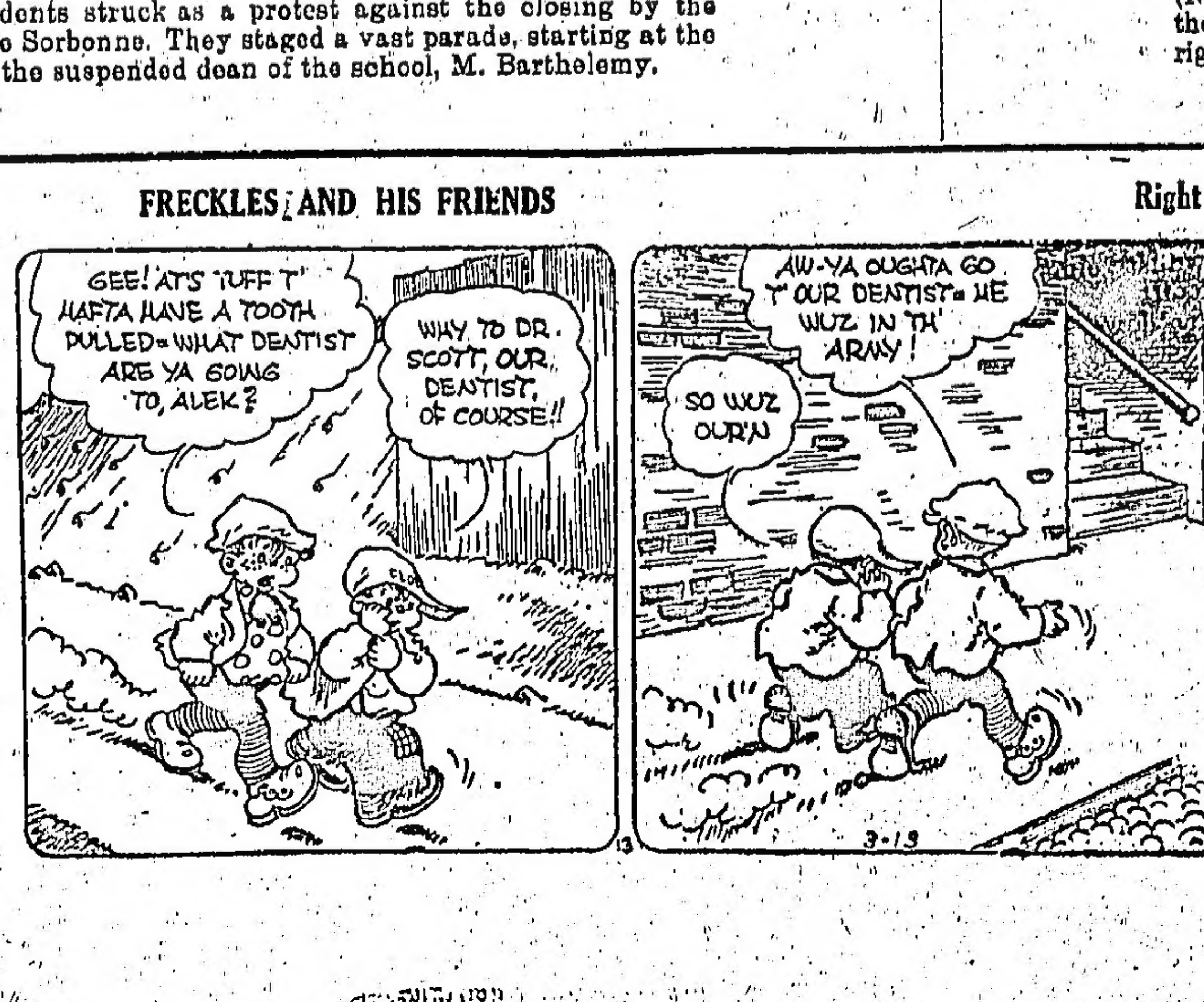
The upper left picture shows the R-33 moored to the mast at Fulham, England, from which she was torn away by a terrific windstorm, to drive almost helplessly out over the North Sea, bearing aboard her a crew of 20. The lower left shows her commanding officers in the control car, from left to right, Flight-Lieut. E. L. Johnston (Navigating Officer), Major G. H. Scott (Superintendent of flying operations, who took the R-34 across the Atlantic), and Flight-Lieut. H. C. Irvin, captain of the R-33. At the right is a view of the R-33 leaving her mooring mast.



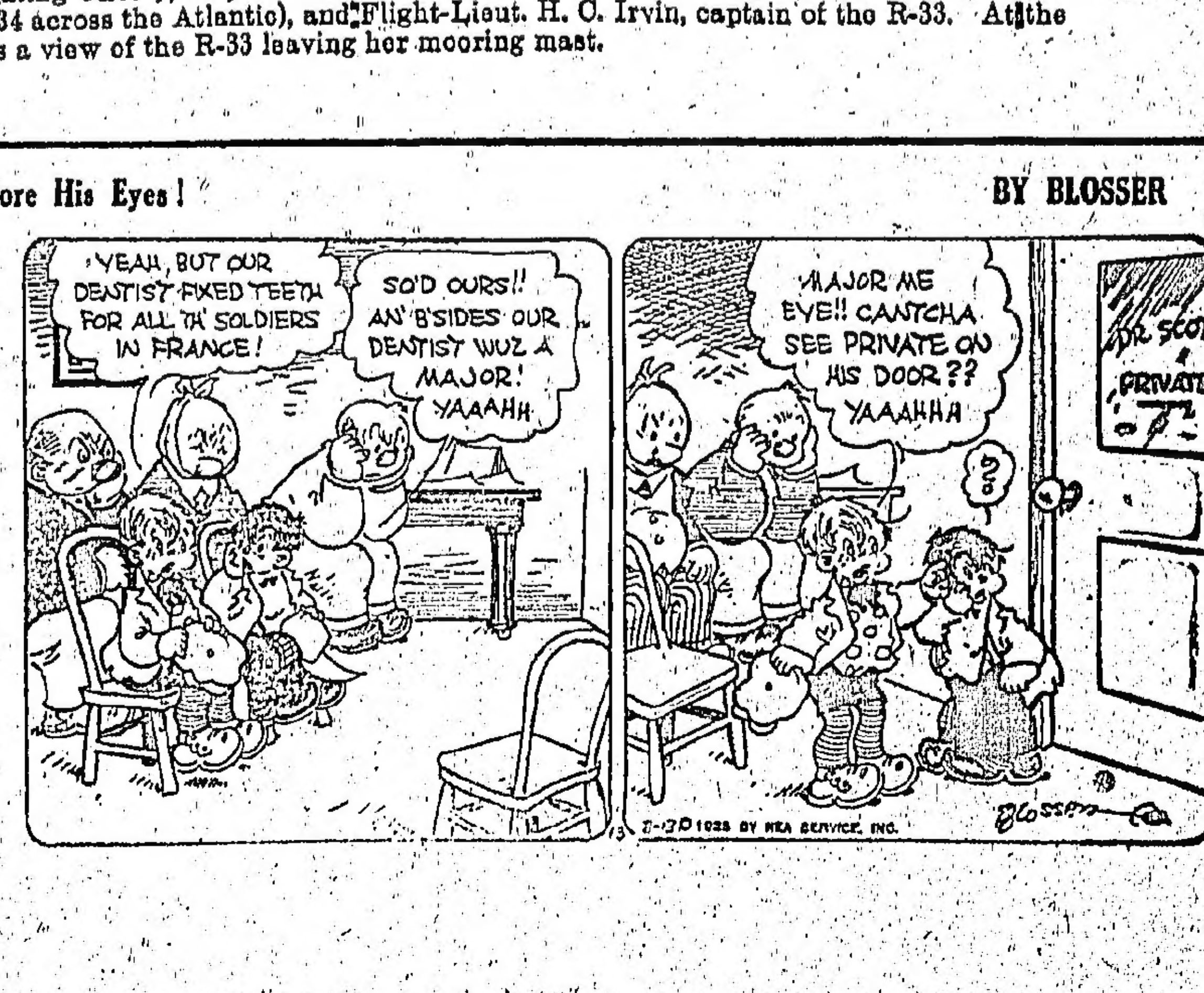
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Stock Exchange.		Sharebrokers' Association.	
Banks.		Banks.	
M.K. & S. Bank	b. 1280	b. 1275	
(London)	b. 11394	b. 11394	
Chartered Bank	b. 2214	b. 2214	
Mercantile Bank A & E	b. 2294	b. 2294	
Mercantile Bank O	b. 2131	b. 2131	
P. & O. Bank	b. 2113	b. 2113	
Bank of E. Asia	b. 971	b. 971	
Marine Insurances.		Marine Insurances.	
Canton	b. x.d. 750	b. x.d. 745	
China Underwriters	b. 3.35	b. 3.35	
North China	b. 140	b. 140	
Union	b. 300	b. 300	
Yangtze	b. 50	b. 46	
Fire Insurances.		Fire Insurances.	
China Fire	b. 200	b. 200	
H.K. Fire	b. 670	b. 670	
Shipping.		Shipping.	
Douglas	b. 54	b. 52	
H.K. Steamships	b. 304	b. 304	
H.H. Tugs	b. 43	b. 4.80	
Indos (Pref.)	b. 38	b. 38	
Indos Def. Lon/Reg.	b. 120	b. 120	
Indos Def. H.K. Reg.	b. 120	b. 120	
Shells	b. 824	b. 804	
Water-boat	b. 171	b. 171	
Oriental Navigation	b. 255	b. 255	
Refineries.		Refineries.	
China Sugars	b. 63	b. 604	
Malayan	b. 52	b. 514	
Mining.		Mining.	
Benguet Consol.	b. 24	b. 24	
Kailan	b. 573	b. 573	
Langkat Combined	b. 26	b. 26	
Shah Explor. New Issue	b. 64	b. 64	
Raub	b. 24	b. 24	
Tronoh	b. 54	b. 54	
Ural Caspian	b. 54	b. 54	
Docks Wharves, Godowns &c.		Docks Wharves, Godowns &c.	
H.K. Wharves	b. 185	b. 185	
K. Docks	b. 1164	b. 1164	
Hongkong Wharves	b. 200	b. 200	
New Engineering	b. 134	b. 134	
Shanghai Docks	b. 134	b. 134	
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.		Lands, Hotels & Buildings.	
H.K. Hotels (cum rta.)	b. 15	b. 144	
Do. (New) Prem.	b. 15	b. 144	
H.K. Developments	b. 804	b. 704	
H.K. Lands	b. 64	b. 64	
H.K. Realty	b. 470	b. 470	
H.K. Territories	b. 24	b. 3	
Humphreys Estate	b. 204	b. 204	
Princes Building	b. 160	b. 160	
Cotton Mills.		Cotton Mills.	
Ewo Cottons	b. 114	b. 114	
Oriental	b. 380	b. 380	
Shanghai Cottons Old	b. 57	b. 57	
Shanghai Cottons New	b. 31	b. 31	
Miscellaneous.		Miscellaneous.	
Canton Ice	b. 74	b. 74	
Cementa (cum rta.)	b. 74	b. 194	
Do. (New) Prem	b. 74	b. 74	
China Buses	b. 284	b. 284	
China Light	b. 224	b. 224	
Do. New	b. 224	b. 224	
Do. (Com.)	b. 33	b. 334	
China Provident Old	b. 15	b. 15	
Do. New	b. 14	b. 13.80	
Constructions	b. 44	b. 44	
Dairy Farm	b. 264	b. 274	
De A Wing (f.p.)	b. 10	b. 10	
Do. (p.p.)	b. 84	b. 83	
Electric H.K.	b. 84	b. 84	
Electric Macao	b. 42	b. 42	
Hongkong Ropes Old	b. 18	b. 174	
H.K. Ropes (New) Prem.	b. 10.70	b. 10.70	
Ropes (Combined)	b. 54	b. 54	
Hongkong Tramways	b. 40	b. 394	
Loan Crawfords	b. 174	b. 174	
Mackintosh	b. 214	b. 214	
Peak Tram Old	b. 24	b. 23	
Peak Tram New	b. 64	b. 6.10	
Sincere	b. 134	b. 13	
Taxis	b. 64	b. 64	
Watsons Old	b. 234	b. 234	
Watsons New	b. 214	b. 214	
Wm. Powells	b. 144	b. 144	
Nanyang Tob.	b. 144	b. 144	

SHIPPING NEWS.

The following local shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day:

Vessels Arrived.			
Vessel	Agents	From	Date.
Tyndareus	B & S	Vancouver via Kobe	10th May
Kalkan	B & S	Bangkok via Swatow	"
Szechuen	B & S	Shanghai via Swatow	"
Yahong	Douglas & Co.	Poohow via Swatow	"
Hai Cheong	Molcher & Co.	KC Wan via Macao	"
Elberfeld	Molcher & Co.	KC Wan via Macao	"
Seima	Molcher & Co.	KC Wan via Macao	"
Asama M.	SUKI & Co.	Kelung	"
Kotsu M.	SUKI & Co.	Kelung	"
Kishu M.	SUKI & Co.	Kelung	"
Argin M.	SUKI & Co.	Kelung	"
Kilang M.	SUKI & Co.	Kelung	"
Rangoon M.	SUKI & Co.	Kelung	"
Impending Departures.			
Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing
Moroka Maru	N Y K	Rangoon	20th May
Himang	N Y K	Sandakan	20th
Yahong	N Y K	Shanghai	20th
Mishima M.	N Y K	Manila	20th
Yamagata M.	N Y K	Yokohama	21st
Chipsing	J M & Co.	Tientsin	21st
Namsang	J M & Co.	Moji	22nd
Laisang	J M & Co.	Calcutta	22nd
Hieling	D T Co.	Poohow	22nd
Fushimi Maru.	N Y K	Antwerp	22nd
Loesang	J M & Co.	Manila	22nd
Loesang	J M & Co.	Swatow	24th
Tingang	J M & Co.	Hamburg	26th
Machao	B & S	Swatow	26th
Hopang	J M & Co.	Swatow	26th
Haining	D T Co.	Poohow	26th
Malva	P & O	Yokohama	27th
Ceylon M.	N Y K	Calcutta	29th
Morok	P & O	London	30th
Hakodato M.	N Y K	Rangoon	30th
Cheongshing	J M & Co.	Tientsin	31st

Impending Arrivals.			
Vessel	Agents	From	Due Hongkong
Bonmacdui	G L & Co.	Singapore	20th May
Glaus Rickmers	G L & Co.	Antwerp	1st June
Em. of Australia	G P S Ld.	Shanghai	3rd

Consignees Diary.			
Vessel	Agents	Goods	Examination Date
West Choptaka	S & B	Kowloon	May 25
Toyoohashi M.	N Y K	Kowloon	May 25

Steamers' Movements.
Karmala from Hongkong arrived Macao on 17th May 7.30 a.m.

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Surplus: \$20,000,000
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UNFORTUNATE FLIGHT.

The survivors of the ill-fated air mission from Paris to Lake Chad who include Colonels Vuillemin and De Goy, and Captain Pelletier D'Oisy, have now returned to France.

The mission of nine members set out in two giant Bleriot machines, the "Roland Garros" and the "Joan Casale" each driven by four motors, and crossed the Mediterranean and the Sahara without incident. On February 6th, however, when a start was made from Niamey the "Joan Casale" seemed to take off badly, and had only reached a height of about 100ft. when it dipped by the nose and crashed to earth. The wireless operator Vandel was killed instantaneously, the mechanic Knecht and commandant Dagneaux both had fractured ribs, and Colonel Vuillemin with broken ribs, a fractured skull and a broken foot, was in such a serious state that little hope was given of his recovery.

Capt. D'Oisy, Colonel Goy, and the three occupants of the "Roland Garros," which had taken off first, saw the crash from above, and returned to help their stricken comrades. As a result of this disaster the causes of which have not yet been revealed, the attempt to reach Lake Chad was abandoned, and eight days later the survivors were brought by boat and motor-car down the Niger to embark for France. The aviators, grievously disappointed at having had to abandon their great flight into the heart of Africa after they had successfully covered more than a third of the distance, all express the hope that they may soon attempt another large scale enterprise by way of demonstrating the utility of big transport machines for long-distance communications.

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The Coroner recorded a verdict of "Death by misadventure."

ANTHRAX (PERIL).

Death of Labourer who Handled Hides.

The danger of contracting anthrax through the dust rising from dry hides was emphasised by a witness at a Southwark inquest recently on George Giggins, a dock labourer who had been employed at St. Olave's Wharf, Bermondsey, where millions of hides from all parts of the world are handled in a year.

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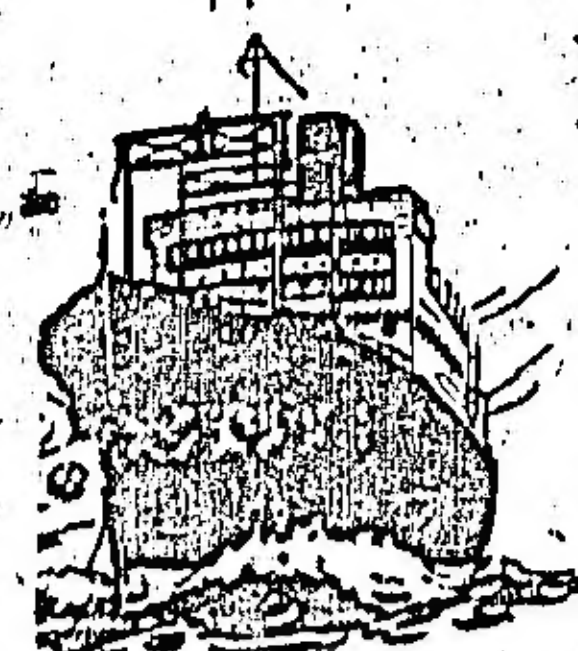
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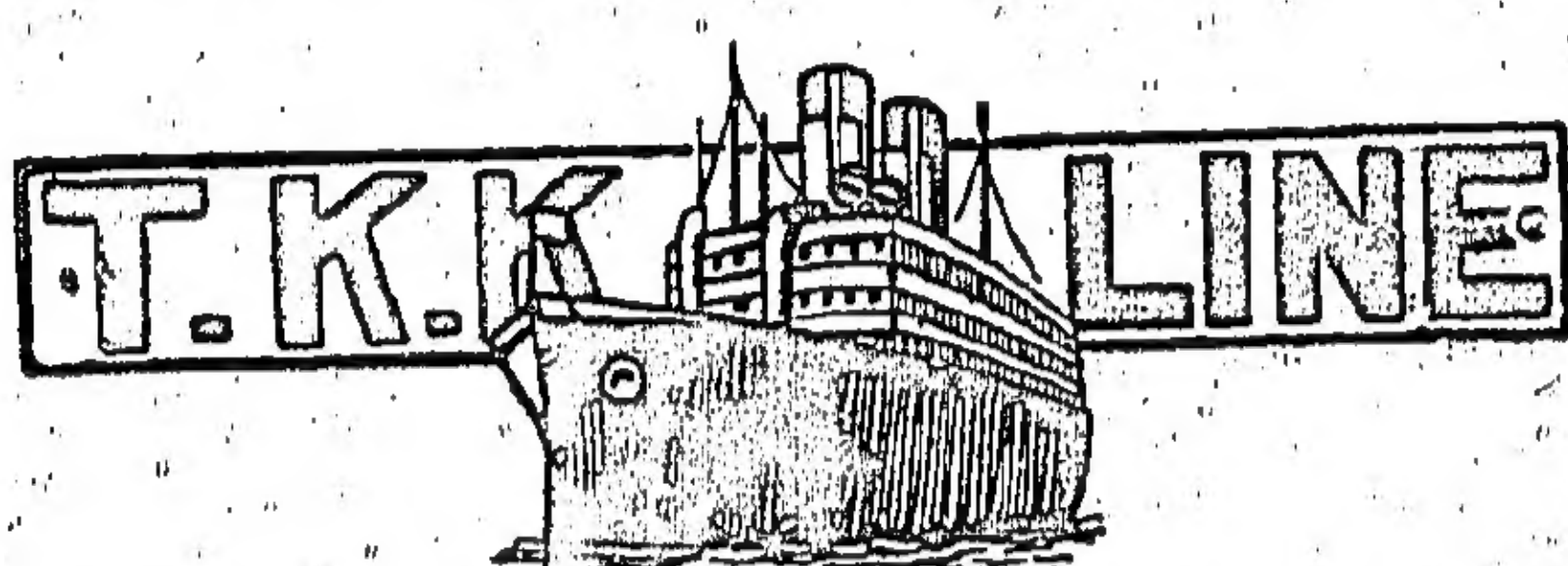
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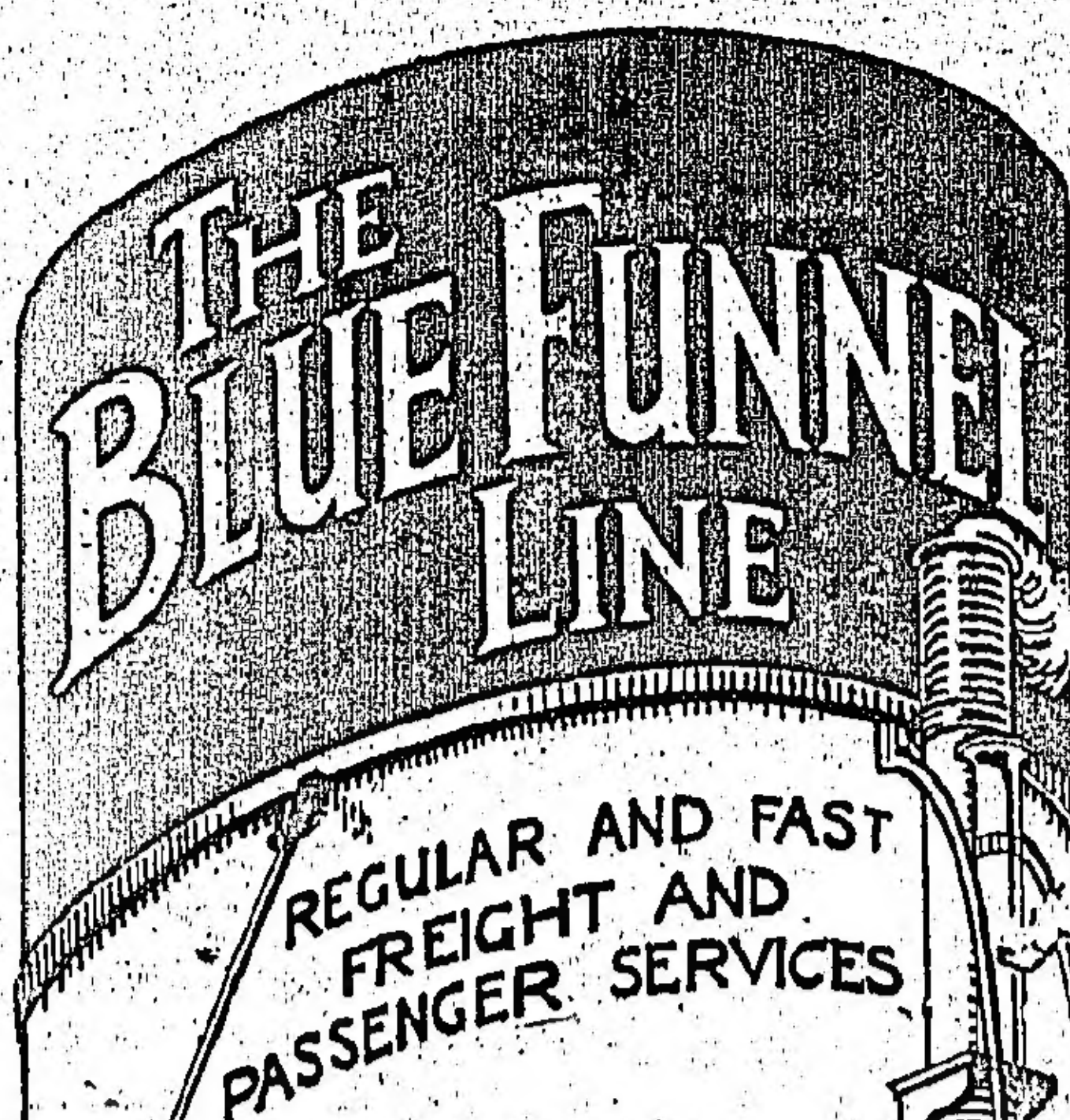
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JEYPORE	5,318	6th June	Singapore & Bombay
SIOLIA	6,813	11th June	S'pore, Pang, Obo & B'bay
KALYAN	9,118	15th June	M'les, L'don, A'werp & Hull
MALWA	10,941	27th June	Marseilles & London
DELTA	8,097	11th July	S'pore, Pang, Obo & B'bay
KASHMIR	8,985	11th July	M'les, London & Antwerp
MANTUA	1,092	25th July	Marseilles & London
SUDAN	6,686	6th Aug.	S'pore, Pang, Obo & B'bay
KASHMIR	8,985	8th Aug.	M'les, London & Antwerp
MACEDONIA	1,108	22nd Aug.	Marseilles & London
SIOLIA	6,813	3rd Sep.	S'pore, Pang, Obo & B'bay
NARUNDA	16,227	15th Sep.	Marseilles & London
KARMALA	9,008	19th Sep.	M'les, London & Antwerp
KHIVA	8,135	3rd Oct.	M'les, London & Antwerp
MALWA	10,941	17th Oct.	Marseilles & London

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

TATRA	7,933	29th May	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
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TANDA	6,958	3rd June	Manila, S'kan, Thursday Is.
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DELTA	8,097	12th June	Shanghai & Kobe
TILAWA	10,006	21st June	Kobe
MANTUA	10,902	26th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
ST. ALBANS	4,500	4th July	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko.
KASHGAR	9,105	10th July	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko.

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GLENTRAI	14th June	GLENROTH	14th June
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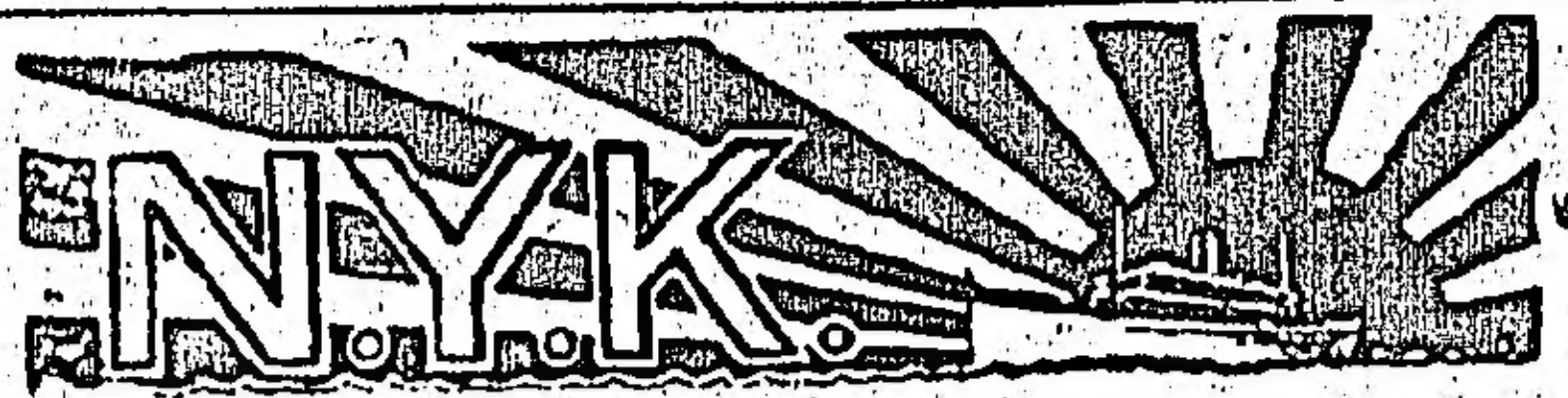
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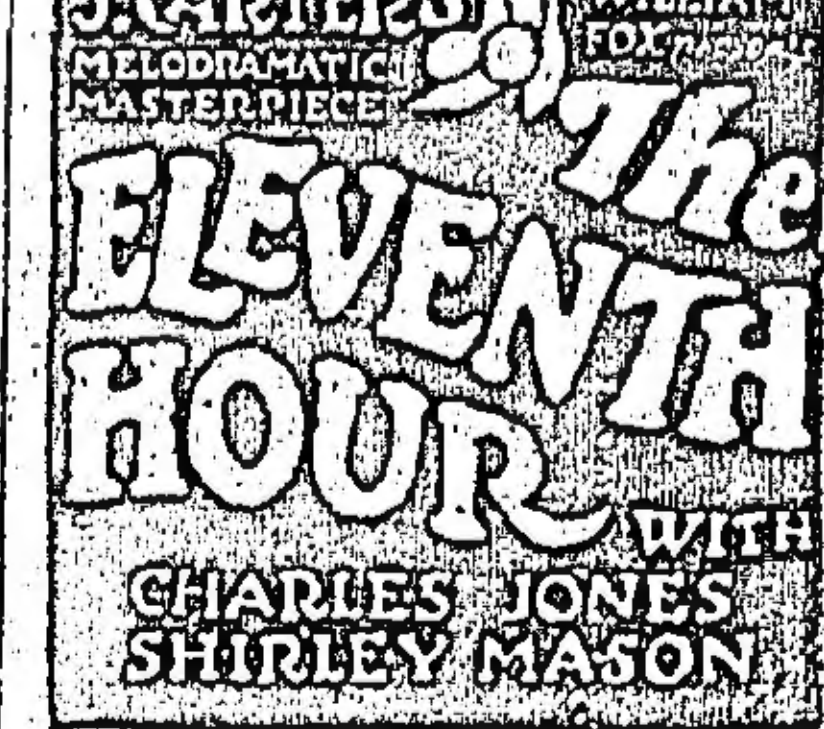
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Shantung and north Japan, and
increased slightly elsewhere. It
is highest over the Eastern Sea,
and depressions are situated to
the west of Shantung and over
N. Japan. Areas of relatively
low pressure also exist over the
northern China Sea, and between
the Philippines and Bonins.
Hongkong rainfall for the 24
hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day,
0.00 inch. Total since January
1st, 22.84 inches, against an
average of 17.80 inches.

**FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS
ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.**

District.	Forecast.
Formosa Channel	N. winds, fresh.
South coast of H.K. & Lamooks	E. winds, moderate;
H'kong to Gap Rocks	cloudy, occasional rain.
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Fan Shek-sang, whose troops are
repelling the invasion of Kwangsi
by Warlord Tang Chi-yao, has
bottled up both wings of Tang
Chi-yao's forces in Nanning and,
it is asserted in military circles,
that the defeat and surrender of
Tang Chi-yao's forces are certain.

TANG RECEIVES A SETBACK.

Peking, May 18.
The Government have received
a report from a secret agent at
Chungking stating that Tang Chi-
yao, on hearing that his forces
had been defeated in Kwangsi,
had decided to proceed there and
personally lead them.

A report from Kweichow states
that Tang Chi-yao has already
left Yunnan, heading over au-
thority to General Li, Military
Commissioner at Talifu.

Yuan Tsh-ning is reported to
have appointed General Chin
Han-ting Commander-in-Chief of
the expedition against Tang Chi-
yao in Yunnan.

These and other reports indicate
that Tang Chi-yao has had a
setback in his attempt to invade
Kwangtung, but it is not believed
that he has suffered a decisive
defeat.—*Daily Bulletin.*

RECLAMATION SCHEME.**FOR HONAM FORESHORE.**

The Municipal Finance Bureau,
in a proclamation (says the *Canton
Gazette*) announces that per-
mission has been granted for the
section of the river foreshore from
the Kum Fa temple to Sin Chung
to be reclaimed according to
plans, which have been prepared
by the Bureau's surveyors in ac-
cordance with the bunding line
fixed by the Conservancy Board.
Owners of property situated in
this locality are to apply to that
bureau for permission to reclaim
the part of the foreshore abutting
their existing property. Persons
other than the owner of existing
property will be given the
privilege of building the reclama-
tion in case an owner fails to
apply for the rights of filling in
the shore adjacent to his property
within 7 days after the issue of
the final notice. The step is
taken in connection with the im-
provement of Honam conditions.
When the reclamation is com-
pleted a considerable section of
the proposed Bund will be laid
out.

EXCHANGE.

(Opening Rate: closing Rate on Page 1.)

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Hongkong May 19 1925.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due.
Shanghai	West Chongka	18th May
Straits	Namang	18th
Japan	Mishima M.	19th
Shanghai	Liangchow	20th
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, Shanghai & London via Canada (London 18th April).	Empress of Russia	20th
Manila	Pres. Grant	20th
Shanghai	Ninghai	20th
Shanghai	Kanhow	21st
Manila	Sunning	21st
Japan	Pres. Taft	21st
Japan	Fushimi M.	22nd
Japan	Bokuyo M.	23rd
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Madison	24th

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date.
Swatow	Yatsing	Wed., 20 inst., 6.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia, & New Zealand via Thursday Island	Mishima M	Wed., 20 inst., Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.
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Shanghai & Japan	Kanhow	Wed., 20 inst., 10.30 a.m.
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Manila	Hinang	Wed., 20 inst., 1.30 p.m.
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Swatow	Kolan M.	Thurs., 21 inst., 3.30 p.m.
Manila	Hydrangea	Thurs., 21 inst., 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. & S. America & Europe via Victoria B.C.	Emp. of Russia	Thurs., 21 inst., 3.30 p.m.
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